Blish Genealogy

THE OLD TIDE MILL AT BARNSTABLE, MASS.

The residence of Abraham Blish stood upon the brow of the hill to the right of the mill.

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FOREWORD.

The records in this book represent some fifteen years of intermittent searching and correspondence. In the hundreds of names and dates, which have been copied and re-copied, there are doubtless errors, some of which have already been discovered and noted in the list of "Additions and Corrections" at the end of the work.

No attempt has been made to trace the Blish lines beyond the shores of America, and while I have examined all known sources of information, I make no claim that the history is full. A few, whose lines are incomplete, are included for future reference.

In the old records the name is frequently spelled "Blush", but the correct spelling is undoubtedly "Blish". The name is so spelled in the will of the first Abraham, recorded at Plymouth, and in all wills and deeds the name is uniformly "Blish", with the exception of a few of the descendants of Joseph[4] (47) who spell it "Blush".

There is a Blish coat of arms, but it is of so doubtful authenticity, that I have not used it.

The plan of the work is simple and obvious. Each name is given a distinct number, which appears first in the margin before the names of the children in each family. This number is repeated, in larger type, type, at the head of each family. The number of the generation, counting from Abraham[1] Blish, is indicated by a small figure at the end of the given name. A plus sign (+) before a name indicates that it is carried forward. All known record authorities are given in the body of the work or at the end of each family.

Attention is called to the additional notes upon the Fuller, Hull, Lothropp and Jones families. All of the descendants of Joseph[2] Blish (3) trace to the Rev. Joseph Hull, and all of the descendants of Tristram[3] Blish (14) to Edward and Samuel Fuller of the Mayflower, the Rev. John Lothropp and Dr. Matthew Fuller of Barnstable. Attention is also called to the Table of Abbreviations and the Glossary of Obscure Words.

I would be pleased to be informed of any errors in the work, and to correspond with any person interested in the family directly or collaterally, as my investigations will not end with the publication of this book.

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TO THE MEMORY

OF MY FATHER,

CHARLES CHENEY BLISH,

WHO BEGAN AND WHOSE EXAMPLE

INSPIRED THE PROSECUTION OF THE WORK,

THIS BOOK IS

AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED.

ABBREVIATIONS.

Barn. Barnstable.
b. born.
bap. baptized.
Biog. biographical.
Ch. Church.
Col. Colony; Colonel.
Colch. Colchester.
d. died.
dtr. daughter.
Gen. Genealogy; genealogical.
Hist. History.
m. married.
N. E. Gen. Regr. New England Historic Genealogical Register.
Plym. Plymouth.
Prob. Probate.
Rec. Records.
Rev. Revolution; Reverend.
Sold. Soldiers.
s. son.
/. Shillings. Used in inventories and accounts: e. g., 2/6, means 2 shillings and six pence.
Tn. Town.
w. wife.

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ABRAHAM BLISH.

All of the name of Blish, besides a few who spell the name Blush are descended from *Abraham Blish,* who was in Duxbury, a part of the Plymouth Colony, in 1637. He is mentioned in Winsor's History of Duxbury, p. 228. The first authentic record we find, is a deed from Richard Moore to Abraham Blush of a tract of land in Duxbury, at the "Eagle's Nest", which is found in Plymouths Great Book of Deeds, volume 1, page 22, and is as follows:

RICHARD MORE DEED.

"Bradford Gour^{r}: xiijth of King Charles.

"The first day of Nouember, 1637, Richard More of Ducksborrow yeom̃ for and in consideracõn of the sum̃e of twenty pounds sterl to be payed in money or beauer in manner & forme following that is to say tenn pounds pt thereof at or vpon the sixteenth of this instant Nouember and other tenn pounds at or vpon the twenty ninth day of Septemb^{r} next ensuing the former payment and the other thirty shillinges the first day of Nouember after, Hath bargained, sould aliened enfoeffed and confirmed vnto Abraham Blush of the same all that messuage and tennement in Ducksborrow aforesaid wth the twenty acres of land therevnto belonging and all his right title and interest of and into the said p^{r}misses and euery part and pcell thereof To haue and to hold the said messuage or tennement lands and p^{r}misses and all and singuler their appurtenĉes vnto the said Abraham Blush his heires and Assignes foreuer to the onely proper vse and behoofe of him the said Abraham Blush his heires and assignes foreũ."

JOHN WILLIS DEED.

This land is again mentioned in a deed found in the same volume, on page 58, as follows:

"Memorand: The 29th of September 1657 That whereas John Willis purchased of Abraham Blush halfe the twenty acree

lott lying on Duxborrow syde which lott the said Blush purchased of Richard More as may appeer by an Instrument vpon Record bearing date Nouember 27 1638 Now the said John Willis doth acknowlidg that for and in consideration of eight pounds to him in hand payed by Willam Paybody of Duxborrow, haue freely and absolutely sold vnto said Willam Paybody That one halfe lott That hee bought of the aforesaid Blush being the easterly end of the twenty acree Lott Towards the place called Eagles Nest point with all and singulare the premises therevnto belonging Together with all his right and Interest of and in the same To naue and to hold the said halfe Lott of land with all and singulare the Appurtenances therevnto belonging for the onely proper vse and behooffe of him the said Willam Paybody his heires and Assignes for euer. by mee JOHN WILLIS.
Signed sealed and deliuered in the p^r^sence of
Nathaniel Morton.
Josiah Standish.

"This Instrument was acknowlidged this 4th of July 1679 before mee, DANIEL SMITH, Assistant."

The exact date of his coming to Duxbury is unknown, the earliest records of that Town having supposedly been burned with the house of Miles Standish, who was the Town Clerk.

Abraham Blish early removed to Barnstable and is known to have been there in 1640, and may be considered one of the early settlers of that Town. His first residence was in what was afterward known as West Barnstable, "Great Marshes"—and his homestead there was owned by him and his descendents for nearly two hundred years. On July 17th, 1658, he purchased of Dolar Davis, for £75, a farm in the easterly part of the Town, near the present site of the Town of Barnstable, a portion of which land was in the old common-field. His house was on the south side of the mill-pond and a short distance south-east of the old tide-mill, and the causeway that formed the mill-dam was known as "Blish's Bridge" or "Blush's Bridge". It is spelled both ways in the old records. The western extremety of the old common-field was, until a very recent date, known as Blish's Point. The inventory of the estate of Jeremiah Bacon mentions "one piece of meadow by Blish's Bridge," Mar. 29, 1706. In the will of John Bacon, proven 20 Oct. 1738, occurs the following—"Item—I give free liberty to all my sons and grandsons to use and improve my two landing places one at the mill and one at the bank by Blush's point, as they may have occasion". The inventory of John Davis,

28 Feb. 1739, mentions meadow at Blish's point, bought of John Sturges, and land at Blish's point is also mentioned in the partition of the estate of John Lewis, 4 Apr. 1789. Portions of the old causeway are still standing and the remains of an old tide-mill are now on the site, though doubtless of later construction. Abraham Blish was a large land owner for those days, as is evidenced by the frequency with which his name occurs in the records. Among the earlier records is found the following, pertaining to the lands of the first settlers:

"1651, Jany. 8. Whereas the Inhabitants of this Town took into serious consideration the great trouble and confusion that may hereafter ensue for want of recording sundry parcel or parcels of land given and granted to sundry particular men within the township, for the prevention of which trouble and confusion the s^d inhabitants have therefore, at full Town Meeting, ye day and year above written, with full consent, ordered and agreed as followeth, viz:—that whatsoever parcel or parcels of land or lands any man hath and is at present possessed with within this Township, the bounds of said lands being publicly declared in Town Meeting, and proved, shall be recorded in the Town book to be the lands of each possessor thereof, and do by these Presents order and declare that the record thereof as aforesaid be sufficient security to claim, hold and retain full and lawful right, title and interest to them, their heirs forever of all and every such parcel and parcels of land possessed by them and recorded as aforesaid.

* * * * * * * *

"To Abraham Blush.—The parcel of marsh meddow 8 acres, be it more or less, lying in ye cove, commonly called ye Bridge cove, butting northerly upon a small creek running by his point of upland into ye Bridge creek and southerly by Gdd Bowermans upland, bounded by a small runlet (near ye markt tree,) which run from ye s^d upland into ye bridge creek, which s^d creek is ye bounds of it westerly, and bounded on ye easterly side by Gdd Bowermans marsh."

Three other tracts of land are described as belonging to Abraham Blush. 1658, July 21. Another list of the lands and land owners of the Town was spread upon the Town records, among which are eleven tracts of Abraham Blish.

ANCIENT DEED.

Many of the old deeds are curious in form and phraseology; the following is an average sample:

"*To All Persons to Whom These Presents Shall Come,* Abraham Blish of Barnstable in ye Government of New Plymouth, in New England, yeoman, sendeth Greeting, and *Know Ye* that I, the said Abraham Blish, for and in consideration of a parcel of high fence belonging to ye field commonly called ye common-field, in Barnstable aforesaid, containing twenty and two rodd lying on ye Kings highway between ye fence of Nathaniel Bacon of Barnstable aforesaid and a gate which I was to make and maintain that stands at ye head of ye lane or way which leads down to ye creek and to my now dwelling house, now to be repaired and ever be maintained by ye s^d^ Nathaniel Bacon and Jeremy Bacon, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever, the security for making and repairing ye s^d^ fence and gate by ye s^d^ Nathaniel Bacon and Jeremy Bacon, to me in hand given, ye receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and declare myself fully satisfied, contented and paid, and for divers other good causes and considerations to me the s^d^ Abraham Blish, at this time especially moving, have given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed and confirmed and by these presents do freely and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoffe and confirm unto them ye s^d^ Nathaniel Bacon and Jeremy Bacon, their heirs and assigns forever, all that parcel of my meddow marsh and creek stuff, containing about one acre and one-half, be it more or less, lying and being in Barnstable aforesaid, on ye northerly side of ye creek commonly called ye old mill creek, and is bounded southerly by ye s^d^ creek and easterly by ye causeway over ye marsh from ye bridge where ye old mill stood, and is bounded westerly by ye west side of a rock standing by ye upland side and thence ranging easterly to ye main creek aforesaid by the point where ye bank of ye s^d^ creek is steep down; together with all ye proffits, privileges and appurtenances to ye s^d^ bargained premises belonging or in any wise appertaining: To Have and To Hold ye s^d^ parcel of meddow and creek stuff and appuntenances unto ye s^d^ Nathaniel Bacon and Jeremy Bacon, their and each of their heirs and assigns forever. And I, the s^d^ Abraham Blish, do for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators covenant and grant to and with ye s^d^ Nathaniel Bacon and Jeremy Bacon and their heirs and ye heirs and assigns of each of them, that at the time of ensealing and delivering of these presents, I have full power and just right and lawful authority to grant, bargain and confirm all ye s^d^ premises, in and by these presents mentioned or intended to be bargained and confirmed in manner and form as aforesaid, according to ye true intent and meaning of these

presents, and that ye s^d bargained premises are to be and shall continue to be clearly exhonorated, acquitted and discharged or otherwise upon request and sufficiently saved and kept harmless by me ye s^d Abraham Blish, mine heirs, executors and administrators, of and from all other former gifts, grants, bargains, sales, titles, dowers, charges and imcumbrances w^tsoever had, made, conducted or done, or to be made, had conducted or done by me, ye s^d Abraham Blish, mine heirs or assigns or by any other person or persons from, by or under me, us or any of us, or by mine, our or any of our means, consent or procurement.

"In witness whereof I, the s^d Abraham Blish have hereunto sett my hand and seal this 10th day of January, Anno Domini One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy and Nine.

ABRAHAM BLISH & a SEAL.

"Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
Mary Hinkley.
Jedediah Lumbert.

The above s^d Abraham Blish appeared the 20 of January, 1679 and acknowledged these presents to be his act and deed before me. Thomas Hinkley, Assistant.

"Vera copia. Compared with the original deed. Jta:

"Attest predict. Thomas Hinkley."

—*Barnstable Deed Records.*

The following items have been gathered from various sources and show the public acts of this pioneer.

1637. Had accounts with John Cole.—*Pope's Pioneers, Mass.*

1641. June 1. "At the Geñall Court of o^r Sou^raigne Lord the King, held at Plyñ afores^d, the first Day of June in the xvij^th Yeare of his s^d Maties now Raigne, of England" etc.

"The names of those that are ppounded this Court to be admitted as freemen at the next Court. * * Abraham Blush & William Betts, of Barnstable"

Plym. Rec. 2-17.

1642-3. Mar. 7. Abraham Blush was Grand juror from Barnstable.—*Ib.* 53.

1643. June 6. "At a Geñall Court holden at Plymouth aforesaid the vj^th of June in the xix^th Yeare of the Raigne of

o^r Sou^raigne Lord, Charles by the Grace of God King of England, Scotland, France & Ireland, Defend^r of the Fayth, &c." the grand jury was sworn, among which was Abraham Blush.—*Ib.* 56.

1643. His name appears in a list of persons able to bear arms in the "Colony of New Plymouth".—*N. E. Gen. Regr.*

1643. Took the oath of fidelity.—*Plym. Rec.* 8-193.

1645. June 4. "At Gen^rall Court" &c. "Surveyors of Heighwayes chosen by the sev^rall townships & p^rsented to this Court.

Barnstable—Abraham Blush & Nathaniel Bacon." —*Ib.* 2-84.

1651. June 5. "Abram Blush Propounded for freeman." —*Ib.* 2-167.

1652. June 7. "At the Generall Court of Election holden for the jurisdiction of New Plym̃. Names of such stand propounded to take up their freedom: Abraham Blush, and others.—*Ib.* 3-7.

1652. June 7. "Abraham Blush chosen Surveyor of Highwaies for Barnstable with Dolare Davice".—*Ib.*

1656. June 3. "The Constables for the severall Townes—Barnstable—Abraham Blush."—*Ib.* 3-100.

1657. "Att the Court of his Matie holden att Plymouth for the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth the fift of March, 1657. The names of those that have taken the oath of fidelite at Duxborrow in the year 1657. * * * * * Abraham Blush, and others.—*Ib.* 8-182.

1658. June 1. Court of Election, etc. Abraham Blush one of "ye Grand Enquest sworne".—*Ib.* 3-135.

1658. The name of Abraham Blush appears in the list of freemen.—*Ib.* 8-200.

1660. June 6. He was Constable for Barnstable.—*Ib.* 3-188.

1663. June 1. He was again one of the "Grand Enquest". —*Ib.* 4-37.

1667. June 5. Was Constable for Barnstable.—*Ib.* 4-48.

1668. Feby. 5. "At a meeting of those five men impowered by ye town, according to an order bearing date the 21 of May, 1662, to make such orders respecting ye general field as may be for ye preservation of ye corn, etc., it is ordered as followeth, viz. that Abraham Blish, James Lucas and James Cob are impowered to be heywards of ye said field till this time twelve month, to see that ye orders respecting ye s^d field be observed and penalties gath-

ered, and give an account of such forfeitures and penalties unto ye said five men, to be by them disposed of as they shall see cause for ye common good of ye Interessors in ye s^d field.—*Barnstable Town Rec.*

1670. May 29. His name appears in the list of freemen of New Plymouth.—*Ib.* 5-277.

"At a Town Meeting ye 5 of April, 1670, it is ordered by ye Town, that all of ye common meddow as yet undisposed within this township shall from time to time perpetually to be and lie for a common to and for ye common use of ye present inhabitants whose names are hereto recorded and to ye sons of all ye aforementioned inhabitants successively as they shall grow qualified, according to a former order bearing date 3 of October 1662, and ye successors of such inhabitants aforesaid who shall purchase and buy out ye right of such respective inhabitants."

A list is appended among which is the name of Abraham Blish.—*Barnstable Town Record.*

1673. Jany. 16. Abraham Blish, Thomas Lumbart and James Cob were chosen Heywards for the following year.

The first wife of ABRAHAM BLISH was ANNE..... The date of marriage is unknown. By her he had children:

2. SARAH,[2] b. 2 Dec. 1644, according to the Barnstable Town records, which is followed by the N. E. Gen. Regr. 21-65. The Plymouth records say 2 Dec. 1641, which is followed by Freeman in his History of Cape Cod, and by Otis' Barnstable Families. The Church records say she was baptized by Rev. Lothrop, 5 Dec. 1641, which is probably correct. Nothing further is known of her excepting the mention in the will of her father, as Sarah Orchyard.

3.+JOSEPH,[2] b. 1. Apr. 1648 and baptized 9 Apr. 1648—*Barnstable Tn. Rec., Freeman's Cape Cod and Otis.* His Wife Anne, died 16 May 1651, according to the Plymouth records and the Barnstable Tn. records. The Church record says, "Syster Blush buryed May 26, 1653." Otis gives both dates, but prefers the earlier. He married second HANNAH,* a daughter of John Williams of Scituate and widow of John Barker of Marshfield, Mass. By her he had,

*John Barker was drowned 14 Dec. 1652, and administration granted to his widow 17 Dec. 1652. Her son Abraham Blish was b. Oct. 1654, so that her marriage with Abraham Blish must have been not later than the early part of the year 1654.

4.+ABRAHAM[2] b. 16 Oct. 1654, according to the Barnstable records, Freeman and the N. E. Gen. Regr. The Plymouth records say he was born about 16 Mar. 1658.

Hannah Williams Barker, the second wife, died —— Mar. 1658, according to the Plymouth records. The Barnstable Tn. records say 16 Feb. 1657-8, which is followed by Otis and the N. E. Gen. Regr.

He married as third wife, ALICE, widow of John Derby** of Yarmouth, 4 Jany. 1658-9.

JOHN BARKER'S SUIT.

The following record of a suit of one of the Barker children will be of interest, as a legal curiosity.

"At the Court of his Matie holden att Plymouth for the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth the fift of March, 1677.

"John Barker, of Barnstable, complaineth against Captaine John Williams of Scituate, as Guardian and receiur of the rents and proffits of the land of the said John Barker during his minoritie, in an action of accompt, to the damage of 200 pounds; for that the said John Williams, as guardian in soccage, tooke into his custody the said Barker in the month of March in the yeer 1657, and from said time receiued the rents and proffits of said Barker his lands in the towneshipp of Marshfield, and had severall yeerly tenants of the same vntil the said Barker did arriue att the age of twenty one yeers, which was in the yeer 1672, being fourteen yeers compleat, and thereof hath not rendered an accompte to the plaintiffe to this day, notwithstanding the said guardian hath not improued the estate in educating and well bringing vp the said heire, but contrariwise did improue the said heire as his servant, about the said Williams his owne servill imployments."

"The jury find for the plaintiffe an hundred and seauenteen pounds damages, vnless the defendant render to him a faire accompt between this and the last of May next, and the costs of suit which comes to 4£ 06^s^ 06^d^ to be payed in siluer money."

"In reference vnto the verdict of the jury in the case of John Barker, plaintiffe and Capt. John Williams, defendant, in an action of accompt as guardian in soccage, which is as followeth, viz:—the jury find for the plaintiffe one hundred and seuenteen pounds damage, vnless the defendant doe render to him a faire accompt between this and the last of May next, and the cost of suit: This court doth appoint the honorable the Goũ., Major Cudworth and the Treasurer, and for default of either, Mr. Thomas Hinckley, auditors, to meet together att Marshfield the 15th day of May next, att tenn of the clocke, to auditt, heare and determine the said accompt, together with the cost of said auditt and to issue forth executions for the

**John Derby or Darby d. at Yarmouth before 5 Mar. 1655-6, when administration was granted to his widow. After the death of Nicholas Nickerson, in 1682, the court ordered the land at Monx's Hill, in Plymouth, to be divided between widows Blush and widow Nicarson, who had received nothing before from her father John Darby.—(Pope's Pioneers of Mass. 130.)

arrearages of the same; and case the said auditors shall not agree in any matter touching the said accompt, that then any two of them agreeing shall haue full power to determine the same."—*Plym. Rec. VII-209.*

John Barker succeeded so well in this suit, that he was encouraged to try again, and on the 16th of July, 1678, he filed the following declaration:

"John Barker, of Barnstable, complains against John Williams of Scituate, in an action on the case, to the damage of one hundred pounds,—for that whereas, after the said Barker did arriue at the age of fourteen yeers, he chose the said Williams as his guardian and who expected to continew his gaurdianshipp to said Barker and was allowed and appointed by the Court of New Plymouth to be guardian to said Barker and required by said Court to bring him vp in the way of education and learning soe as might be to his advantage and health when hee should come to be of age and put him forth to a trade, as may appear by the record of this Court, bearing date October, 1665: and the said Williams to the contrary wise imployed the said Barker about his, the said Williams owne servill imployments, from said time vntill the said Barker did arriue att mans estate, and did not put him forth to a trade: wherefore the complainant brings his action to the honorable Court for relieffe and prase that he may haue wages for his seruice done for said Williams and damage for not putting the said Barker forth to a trade."—*Plym. Rec.*

The young man was non-suited in this case, and then the old man, evidently wishing to get even, filed the following complaint:

"John Williams of Situate complaineth of John Barker of Barnstable, in an action on the case, to the damage of one thousand pounds, siluer mony, for that the aforesaid John Barker at some time since March last, slanderously reported and defamed the aboue said Williams, by saying, that hee, the said Williams, "is the wickedest man that ever was vpon the face of the earth."—*Plym. Rec.*

The Court evidently thought that the quarrel had proceeded far enough, and Williams was also non-suited.

The following curious receipts probably have reference to the Barker property:

"Nouember the 11th 1654. Receiued by mee, John Williams, for the vse of Abraham Blush, of Peregrine White, the sume of thirty shillings for rent. I say receiued by mee, John Williams, which is the one-halfe.

John Williams."

—*Plym. Rec. VIII-210.*

"Receiued of George Vaughan, in and by the appointment of Mr Peregrine White, the sume of fiue pounds and ten shillings, which is the

rent due to Anne Barker. I say receiued by mee this 26 of March, 1662.
John Williams."
—*Plym. Rec. VIII*- 211.

"May 9th 1656. Receiued by mee Dolar Dauis, by the order of Abraham Blush of Barnstable, the full and just sume of fiue pounds and ten shillings, of Nathaniell Bassett of Marshfield, in a cow and yearling. I say receiued by mee.
Dolar Dauis."
—*Plym. Rec. VIII*-210

"April the 9th 1656. Recieued by mee Dolar Dauis of Concord, by order of Abraham Blush of Barnstable, the full sume of fiue pounds fiue shillings of Peregrine White of Marshfield, in a cow and calf. I say receiued by mee the day and yeer aboue written, for which the said John Willām of Scituate, the said Blushes agent is to giue the said White and Bassett a discharge.
Dolar Dauis."
—*Plym. Rec. VIII*-211.

1668. "Receiued of my father-in-law Abraham Blush the full and just sum of ten pounds in full satisfaction of my wifes portion ordered by the Court of New Plymouth to be by him payed.

I say receiued by mee. Samuel Pratt.

Barnstable the 2cond of the 9th month, 1668.
As witnesseth *Thomas Huckens,*
John Huckens.
—*Plym. Rec. II*-51. *Pt. II.*

Abraham Blush also settled with John Pratt, husband of Ann Barker, 27 Oct. 1666. Samuel Pratt was the husband of Mary Barker.—*Gen. Advertiser,* 4-31.

1660. Mar. 12. William Burden, heretofore of Concord, Mass., now resident in Duxbury, testifies that he received in right of his wife Deborah, daughter of John Barker, late decd. money from Abraham Blush.—*N. E. Gen. Regr.* 7-178.

WILL.

Abraham Blish died at Barnstable, Mass., September 7th. 1683, leaving a will, which is as follows:

"I, Abraham Blush being weak in body but through the Mercy of God of sound and disposing mind and memory, calling to mind the uncertainty of this life on earth and being desirous to settle things in order, doe make this my last will and testament in manner and form following—That is to say:

Imps.—I commend my soul to God in Jesus Christ my blessed Savior and my body to decent buriall as to my executor heerafter named shall seeme meet and convenient, and as touching

such worldly estate as the Lord in Mercy hath sent mee, my will is that the same shall be Imployed and bestowed as heerafter by this My Will is expressed; and first I doe Revoke, frusterate and make void all wills by mee heertofore made and doe declare and appoint this to be my last will and testament.

"*Imp*s.—I give and bequeath unto Allice my loving wife the use of that east end of my now dwelling house which I have reserved for myself and doe now dwell in, during her Naturall life, and the one moiety or half part of the Yeerly Rent of the lands belonging to the said dwelling house, which I have letten out to my son Joseph Blish during the said tearme, if she live so long; alsoe one Cow to be att her owne dispose and the keeping thereof, together with the keeping of a mare or horse for her use to goe to mill and meeting during that tearm of the said lease, and one third of my household stuffe to bee at her free dispose.

"*Item.*—I will and bequeath to my son Joseph Blish the liberty to take in way of exchange that house and land belonging thereto which I now dwell on and hee hath the use of by virtue of a lease for years made therof unto him, if he shall see cause to Chose it rather than that house and land which I heertofore gave unto him and his heirs forever by a deed of Gift, together with the parcell of Marsh lying at the Northerly end of that Marsh att the bridge, which parcell hee hath Reserved out of the said lands att the bridge, which hee leased out to John Barker and John Allin as by theer lease appeereth, provided always that he give Legall sufficient deeds unto his brother my son Abraham Blish, of all the rest of the said lands att the bridge, with the houses and edifices therunto belonging now letten out to the said John Barker and John Allin, with the Reversion therof to him my said son Abraham Blish, his heirs and assigns forever; but if otherwise my will is that my said son Abraham Blish shall have and enjoy my now dwelling house and all the lands therunto belonging, to him and his heirs or assigns forever and the other half of Rent of said lands after my decease.

"*Item.*—I will and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Orchyard five pounds to be paid her within one yeer after my decease, and five shillings apeece to her five children which she now hath to be payed by my executors when they have attained the age of twenty-one yeer.

"*Item.*—I will and bequeath unto Joseph the eldest son of my

said son Joseph Blish five pounds, and five shillings apeece to his other three children.

"*Item.*—I will and bequeath to my son Joseph Blish all the Rest of my Goods and estate whatsoever to pay my debts and Legacyes by me before given.

"And I do hereby make and appoint him my son Joseph to bee my sole executor of this my last will and Testament.

"In Witness wherof I have heerunto set my hand and seale this 17th of Aprill, 1683.

Abraham Blish o (Seal)

"In presence of
Mary Hinckley.
Thomas Hinckley, Gov.

"Mr. Thomas Hinckley, Govr made oath to this will att the Court of his Matie holden att Plymouth the fift of March 1683-4.

"Recognitt. this 28th day of February, 1681, before me pdict. *Thomas Hinckley* Goū.

"This court doth order Mr Lathrop and Mr Thacher to administer an oath to Mrs Mary Hinckley in reference to the will of Abraham Blush, deceased."—*Plym. Court Rec. VI. p.* 123.

"Mistris Mary Hinckley made oath to this will 29th of February, 1683.

Before *Mr. Barnabas Laythorpe, Assistant.*
and *Mr. John Thacher, Assistant.*
—*Plym. Rec. Vol. IV. Pt.* 11.

"Joseph Blish and Allice Blish took their oathes that so far as they know this" x x x x x x x x
Before me Barnabas Laythorpe
Assistant.

(Fac simile of a portion of the record of the Inventory of Abraham Blish at Plymouth.)

The widow and the executor filed the following

INVENTORY.

A true inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of Abraham Blush, deceased, praised at his house in Barnstable the fourth day of September one thousand six hundred eighty and three by John Davis, scnr and Joseph Laythorpe, as followeth:

		£	s	d
Imps:	his purse and apparell,	06	00	00
Item.	in bookes,	00	06	00
Item.	a feather bed and bedding and fleck bed under it	06	10	00
Item.	in pewter and brasse	01	16	00
Item.	Iron pott and hookes, tonges, gridiron, chain, augers, hand saw and other iron,	03	00	00
Item.	two paire of trammels	00	09	00
Item.	an old bridle and saddle	00	05	00
Item.	a chist, a box and chaires,	00	16	00
Item.	a Gun, powder, bullets and powder horne,	00	11	00
Item.	a padlocke, a frying pan, a cowbell	00	06	00
Item.	Trayes, bowles and wooden dishes	00	03	00
Item.	Bedstead, old hogsheads, barrels, a spinning wheel and shot pouch and sickle	00	11	00
Item.	in sheepes wool and cotton woole, 2 pailes,	00	13	00
Item.	an old cart and wheels and plow irons and cheape (?) an old pitchfork and old syth	01	00	00
Item.	in Indian and English corne	01	00	00
Item.	a beeve barrell and a snuffing trough	00	03	00
Item.	Iron Wedges, Hooks and Rings and Rundlet	00	04	00
Item.	in hookes,	00	03	00
Item.	in neate Cattle	15	10	00
Item.	in sheepe and lambs	02	00	00
Item.	one young swine and an old Canoo, 00s a mare 2£ 10s	02	10	00
Item.	a frying pan and Jarr and pott and half bushell and a pound weight and lb. of yarn	00	07	06
Item.	1 Iron kettle	00	13	00
Item.	1 old sheet and an Iron coulter,	00	04	06
Item.	in debts due to the estate in Neate Cattle which will be due 5 years hence 7£ an old brake,	07	01	00
Item.	the estate is indebted about 10£ we now know	10	00	00
Item.	the severall charges about 30s or 40s.			
Item.	a flock bed, a paire of course sheets, 2 pillow coates, a napkin and 2 towels,	02	00	00
Item.	a Coppbert and a great Table,	02	10	00
		55	00	00

Joseph Blish and Allice Blish tooke theire oathes that so farr as they know this Inventory of the estate of Abraham Blish, deceased, is a true Inventory.

Before mee, *Barnabas Laythorpe,*
Assistant.
—*Plym. Rec.*

SECOND GENERATION.

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3 JOSEPH[2] BLISH.

(Abraham[1].)

JOSEPH[2], s. of Abraham[1] Blish and Anne ....., was b. 1 Apr. 1648, at Barnstable, Mass. He m. 15 Sept. 1674, at Barnstable, Hannah, dtr. of Tristram and Agnes ( ) Hull.* She was b..... 1657.

Issue b. at West Barnstable;

5.+JOSEPH,[3] b. 13 Sept. 1675.
6. JOHN,[3] b. 17 Feby. 1676-7. Probably d. young.
7. ANNAH[3] (Anne) b. "ye latter end of Feby. 1678-9."
8.+ABRAHAM,[3] b. 27 Feby. 1680-1.
9.+REUBEN,[3] b. 14 Aug. 1683.
10. SARAH,[3] b. "ye beginning of August 1685". d. 3 Jany. 1686.
11. SARAH,[3] b. .... Sept. 1686. "Sarah Blish deceased 1705."
12. THANKFUL,[3] b. .... Sept. 1689. m. 30 Oct. 1712, to *Joseph Bodfish Jr.*, by Justice Bassett.
13. JOHN,[3] b. 1 Jany. 1691. d. 14 Oct. 1711. "In ye 20th Year of his age."
14.+TRISTRAM,[3] b. ..... Apr. 1694.
15. MARY,[3] b. ..... Apr. 1696. m. 26 June, 1718 to *Saml. Jones*, by Esqr. Parker. ....
16.+BENJAMIN,[3] b. ..... Apr. 1699.

Barn. Tn. Rec.

"Anna, wf. of Joseph Blish, Sr., was admitted to the church 9 July, 1704."—*Barn. Ch. Rec.*

1685. "Voted that the Governor and Mr. Lathrop impanel a jury to bound the County road and the Town's highways, according to the order of the Court". Joseph Blish was one of the jury chosen.—*Freeman, Cape Cod*, 2-277.

1689. Was admitted as a freeman, "at ye Generall Court, held

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*See HULL, Appendix.

at Plimoth, 1st Tuesday in June".—*Plym. Rec. VII-207.*

1700. He was one of the witnesses to receipt of the estate of James Cobb dated "the 4th day of July, in the 12th Year of His Magties reign anno Domini 1700".—*Barn. Prob. Rec.* 2-155.

1715. Aug. 16. John Annable, Joseph Blish and John Baker appraised the goods and chattels of Shubal Ewer, decd. —*Barn. Prob. Rec.* 3-270.

Narragansett Township No. 7, now Gorham, Maine, was assigned by lot to grantees in Barnstable, and other Mass. towns, for services in King Phillip's or Narragansett war. Joseph Blish was among these, and drew lot 27.—*Soldiers in King Phillip's War,* 438. *Freeman's Cape Cod.*

WILL.

Joseph Blish d. 14 June, 1730, leaving a will, which is as follows;

"In the Name of God, Amen. The 25th day of January anno Domini 1722, I Joseph Blish, of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable and Province of Massachusetts Bay, in New England, being under decays of body by age, but of disposing mind and memory, yet calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed unto all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say:—

"Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named; and as touching my worldly estate, I give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form:

"*Imprimis*:—I give and bequeath to Hannah my dearly beloved wife all of my household movables:

"*Item.*—I give to my son Trustram Blish twenty-three pounds which will make up, with the twenty-seven pounds which he hath already had, fifty pounds:

"*Item*:—I give to my son Benjamin Blish fifty pounds to be paid by my Executor:

"*Item*:—I give to my son Abraham Blish the sum of five pounds, if he doth return or may be heard of so as to receive it

within two years after my decease, and if not then I give the above five pounds equally between my two sons Trustram and Benjamin:

"I give to my daughter Annah the sum of three pounds besides what she hath already had; I give to my daughter Thankful the sum of three pounds besides what she hath already had; I give to my daughter Mary the sum of eight pounds besides what she hath already had:

"I give to my two sons Trustram and Benjamin all my wearing clothes in equal shears between them, except my cane or staff, which I give to my son Joseph: I give to each of my grandchildren that are now four years old five shillings; and I do hereby constitute, make and ordain my son Trustram Blish to be my sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament; and I hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other will and testament and Executors by me in any wise before made or named, and ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Joseph Blish, (Seal.)

"Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Joseph Blish to be his last will and testament in the presence of

John Annible.
Jno. Barker.
Samll Annible.

—*Barn. Prob. Rec.* 6-244.

"Aug. ye 31 day, 1730, then received of my son Tristram Blish, Executor of the Will of my late husband Joseph Blish, all the household movables in s^d will given therein to me, and this shall be a full discharge to him the s^d Executor, as witness my hand,

her
of *Hannah* X *Blish.*
mark.

"In presence of

Jo^n Baker.
Joseph Blish, Jr.

This will was probated 30 Aug. 1731, according to Otis and the Barn. Pro. Rec. which is manifestly erroneous, as he d. in June 1730, and his widow receipts for her household goods, 31 Aug. 1730.

Hannah Blish, the widow of Joseph, d. 15 Nov. 1732, according to the Town Rec. tho' Freeman has it 1733.

The inscription on the tombstone of Joseph Blish, at West Barnstable, reads as follows:—"Here lies the body of Mr. Joseph Blish, who dyed June 14th. day, 1730, in ye 83rd year of his age".

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4 ABRAHAM[2] BLISH.

(Abraham[1].)

ABRAHAM[2] BLISH, s. of Abraham[1] and Hannah (Williams) Blish, b. 16 Oct. 1654, at Barnstable, Mass., m..... Martha, dtr. of John Shaw, butcher, and Elizabeth..... She was b. 16 Sept. 1655, at Boston, Mass.

Issue born at Boston:—

17.+ABRAHAM,[3] b. 3 Oct. 1683.
18.+JOHN,[3] b. 6 Feby. 1686.
19. JOSEPH,[3] b. 24 July, 1689.
20. MARTHA,[3] b. ..... m. *Thomas Foster*, 17 Dec. 1702, by, Mr. Benj^a Coleman.

Martha, the first wife of Abraham[2] Blish, d. 24 July, 1706, and he married 2nd. 8 May, 1707, Susanna Tuttle. This marriage was also performed by Mr. Benjn Coleman. There seems to have been no issue of the second marriage.

He was a very active man in public matters in Boston and was a "feltmaker" or hatter by trade.

1674. "Div. No. 5. Heren is contained the names of all the males now living in my squadron, p. me Jacob gerson, Constable in Boston, rateable According to law.
Servants: Abrah. Blush,"

1682. April 24. Abraham Blish, feltmaker, became surety to the Town for Jno. Caldwell and his family, and that s^d Caldwell shall depart from the Town on the 15th of July following.

1687. He was rated for 6 houses. Tax 3 shillings.

1688. Tax list shows two male persons in his house over 16 years old.
"Abrah. Blish—2.
Robert Paton at Blish's, 1."

1688. May 21. Town-Meeting. * * * * * * Constables, Jos. Townsend, 70, Jarvis Ballard, 63, Michael Shiller 59, Abraham Blush 59, (votes), and several others with smaller number.—*Sewall Papers,* 1-214. 25 May. Was chosen Constable.

1689. June. Abraham Blush was admitted as a freeman "at ye Generall Court held at Plimoth, 1st Tuesday in June."

1689-90. "Mch, 11th At a Meetinge of the Selectmen Abraham Blish was appointed one of the Ouerseers to inspect chimneys that are insuffitient and danger^s."

1691-1695. He is on the tax lists.

1699. Mar. 13. "At a publick Meeting of the inhabitants of Boston upon publick warning according to law were chosen Town officers, viz: * * * Clerks of ye Market—Abraham Blish, William Keen, Edw. Pegge, Richd. Proctor, Stephen Minot, William Turner."

Abraham Blish was one of the organizers of the old Brattle Street Church. It was founded in 1699, tho' steps had been taken towards it in 1697. The deed from Thomas Brattle conveying land called "Brattle close" for a meeting house, was dated 10 Jany., 1698. This Church having departed from the Cambridge platform in some particulars, was violently opposed by some of the fathers in the churches of New England, and a protest was publicly made against it. This drew from the Brattle Street Church a defense of its course, which was called a "manifesto," and gave the church the name of the "Manifesto Church", which it bore for many years. (Those desiring more on this subject, are referred to Lathrop's History of Battle Street Church, Elliott's New Eng. Biog. Dict., Allen's Amer. Biog. & Hist. Dict. and Drake's Hist. & Antqts. of Boston.)

1700. Mar. 11. "Abrā Blish, James Mears, John Cotta, Sr., and John Bucanon were chosen scavengers.

1701-2. Mch. ye 9th. At a Publick Meeting of ye Freeholders and other Inhabit^ts" Town officers were chosen. "Messures Richd Keats, Silence Allen, Abraham Blish, Stephen Minot and Robert Cumbey w^r cnosen Surveyors of Highways."

"Mary Tuthill, widow buried Thorsday 7^r-21-1704. Her daughter Susanna married Abraham Blish."—*Sewall Papers,* 2-117.

1705. May 14. Abraham Blish chosen one of the Overseers of the Poor.

1706-7. Mar. 10. Town Meeting. Stephen Minot, Abraham Blish, Capt. Thomas Hutchinson, Daniel Oliver, Capt. Timothy Clark, Francis Thresher, Danl. Powning, Thos. Cushing and Joseph Prout chosen Selectmen.

1707. "The Estate of John Wintrop, Esqr, Deceased, D^{r} to Wait Winthrop, Esqr, for sundry charges disbursed on his funerall as follows, viz: Decemb^{r} 1707, * * * Paid Mr Abraham Blish p^{r} note £4 - os."—*Winthrop Papers, V-412.*

1709. June 24. Elisa Davis, widow, is buried. Mr. Deering, Hill, Williams, Meers, Blish, Draper, Bearers. They invited me and my wife by sending us good gloves."—*Sewall Papers, 2-257.*

1715. Mch. 12. Abraham Blish chosen one "of ye Tythingmen for ye year ensuing."

1716-1717. Re-elected to same office.

1719-20. Mar. 15. "Voted tha Habijah Savage, Esqr, Messu^{rs} James Gooch, John Colman, Abraham Blish & Capt. John Charnock be a committee to draw up a Town Order or By Law for the Regulating of Trucks within this Town and to make Report thereof to ye Town at their next meeting."

Sept. 28. Town Meeting. Honble Saml. Sewall, Esqr Moderator. "Voted the Town will proceed to the choyce of a Committee to consider ab^{t} promoting of a Spinning School or Schools for the Instruction of Children of this Town in Spinning as exprest in the warr^{t} for the calling of this meeting, to be seven in number. Abijah Savage, Esqr, Daniel Oliver, Esqr, William Payne, Esqr, Messu^{es} Francis Thrasher, Abraham Blish, John Colman and Benjamin Fitch to be s^{d} Committee." "Voted that s^{d} committee be desired to make report of what they shall think proper relating thereto to ye Town ye meeting wch shall be called for the choyce of Jurors for next Jan^{ry} Court."

(A lengthy report was made in Dec. following, which was postponed to the March meeting, when it was voted to loan the money on "good Real Security".

About 1719 a large colony of persons from the vicinity of Londonderry, Ireland, arrived in this country, some of whom set-

tled in Boston. They were chiefly manufacturers of linen and brought their utensils with them for that purpose. The foot linen wheel, so common in the households of New England, was introduced by these people. The raising of flax and the manufacture of linen cloth was looked upon as a matter of great importance to this country.

The will of William Shaw, citizen and weaver, of London, England, dated 5 April 1687, and proven 11 May 1693 gives to "brother John, of Boston, in New England, 40£," and several other bequests, among which is the following,—"to my cousin Martha Blush, of Boston aforesaid, daughter of my said brother John Shaw, 10£; to cousins John and Martha Barker, son and daughter of my late sister Elizabeth Barker, deceased, 10£ apiece."

John Shaw, butcher, was admitted a member of the artillery company in Boston in 1646.

Among the list of creditors of Thomas Crocker, of Barnstable, Mass., is Mr. Abraham Blish, of Boston. "Claims due to him on the booke, 006-00-00."

Also in the estate of Nathaniel Otis,—"Mr. Abraham Blish of Boston claims is due to him by bond bearing date 26 Aug., 1718, 40-00-00".

Abraham Blish died in Boston the middle of February, 1734. His will was admitted to probate 8 Mar. 1734, and is as follows:

WILL.

In the Name of God, Amen. I Abraham Blish, of Boston, Feltmaker, tho aged and infirm of body, yet of sound mind, do make my last will and testament in manner following, viz:

First—and principally, I commit my soul to God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, humbly asking pardon for all my sins and precluding all charity, through Jesus Christ my Savior, and my body to the earth to be decently interred, at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named, in hopes of a glorious resurrection by help of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; and as to my worldly goods and estate, after the payment of my funeral charges and Just debts, I order and dispose of the same as follows:—

Imps.—I give and bequeath to Robert Brown, husband of my granddaughter Martha, all such sum or sums of money as he stands justly indebted to me by bond, account or otherwise, and twenty pounds to buy him mourning.

Item.—I give, devise and bequeath to my loving wife Susanah my dwelling and house where I now live wth the garden, woodhouse and appurces to hold to her and her assigns during her life, and three hundred pounds in Province bills, to hold to her, her Executors, Administrators and Assigns forever.

Item.—I devise and order that my household stuff and plate, excepting my large silver tankard, markt D+. be divided in two equal parts, in one of which my desk to be, and in the other my best bed, curtains, valens, window curtains, satin quilt and other furniture thereunto belonging, seven chairs, one easy chair, two large looking glasses and one smaller, being what I lent my said grand-daughter at her marriage, and the first mentioned of these equal parts I give to my loving wife, her executors, administrators and assigns forever, excepting said desk wch I give her not, but give her the use of only during her life.

Item.—I give and devise to my said loving wife, the use and improvement of my Negro servant, Flora, for and during the term of my said wife's life, and no longer.

Item.—I give and devise to my good friends Messrs Oxenbridge Thatcher and John Edwards, and to their heirs and assigns forever, the reversion of my dwelling house above mentioned after the decease of my wife, and all other my lands, tenements and hereditaments: and I do also give and bequeath unto them, the sd Oxenbridge Thatcher and John Edwards, their Executrs and Adminrs all the residue of my household stuff and plate, the silver tankard aforesaid, and after my wife's decease, the said desk and negro and all other my goods and chattels whatsoever. Nevertheless, my trust and confidence in them reposed and my aforesaid gift, devise and bequest to them, is upon this special trust, that they shall employ and dispose of all my said goods and chattels, and the rents and profits of my said messuage, lands, tenements and hereditaments for the profits of this my will, and convey and settle the said messuage, lands, tenements and hereditaments for such purposes and to such persons and in such manner as by this my last will and testament is appointed concerning the same: that is to say,—I will, devise and appoint, that after the decease of my loving wife, my trustees aforesd shall enter into my messuage, lands, tenemts and hereditaments aforesaid, lease the same to the best advantage from time to time, as occasion shall require, receive the rents and increase of the same and quarterly pay the same to my said grand-daughter, into her own proper hands and not into the hands of her said husband or of any other person or persons that may claim the same by force of any assignment or otherwise, but only to her own hands for her sole and separate use, and her husband to have no medling with the same; and her receipts shall be sufficient discharges of my trustees aforesaid: and if my said grand-daughter shall dye before the said Robert and continuing the marriage between them, in such case she leave any issue of her body, my trustees aforesaid shall immediately convey all my messuage, lands, tenements and hereditaments aforesaid, after the decease of my said wife, to such issue or issues, to hold the same to them and their heirs forever; but if she leave no issue of her body in the case aforesaid, then my trustees aforesaid shall immediately upon my said grand-daughter's decease convey all my message, lands, tenements and hereditaments after the death of my said wife, to Joseph Pomroy of Boston, Abraham Blish of Barnstable, or their heirs, my nephews, in equal halves, to hold to them and their heirs forever: but if my said grand-daughter shall survive the said Robert or the marriage now between them, then my said trustees shall immediately convey all my messuage, lands, tenements and hereditaments, after the decease of my

said wife, to my grand-daughter, Martha Brown, to hold to her and her heirs forever.

Item.—I will, devise and appoint that my trustees aforesd shall convert the residue of my goods & chattels aforesd into money and put the same out at interest upon good security, renewing the same from time to time, as occasion may require, receive the profits and increase thereof and quarterly pay the same to my said grand-daughter, Martha, in her own proper hands, and not into the hands of her said husband, or any other person or persons that may claim the same by virtue of any assignment or otherwise but only to her own hands, for her sole and separate use, and her said husband to have no intermedling therewith, and her receipts shall be sufficient discharges of the same to my trustees aforesd: provided, nevertheless it shall be in the power of my said trustees to reserve from sale such of the plate and household stuff as they think proper, with the advice and consent of my said grand-daughter and of her only without the intermedling of her said husband, and either keep it by them or give the improvement of the same or any part of it, upon reasonable security to the said Robert Brown, for what time or times they shall think proper; and if my said grand-daughter shall dye before the said Robert and continuing the said marriage between them, in such case, if she shall leave any issue of her body, my trustees aforesaid shall keep the said principal and interest, goods and chattels, in their own power, till such issue or issues respectively come of age or marry and then convey and pay the same equally to and among the said issues; but if she leave no issue or the issue left dye before they become of age or marry, then my said trustees shall convey and pay the principal and interest, goods and chattels, to Joseph Pomroy of Boston and Abraham Blish of Barnstable, or their heirs the equal halves, to hold to them, their Execrs Adminrs or assigns forever, except one hundred pounds to be disposed of at the will of my said grand-daughter; but if my said grand-daughter shall survive the said Robert or the marriage now between them, then my said trustees shall immediately convey to my said grand-daughter Martha all the principal, interest, goods and chattels in their hands or power remaining at the death of the said Robert, to use and dispose of the same at her pleasure.

Lastly.—I do hereby constitute and appoint the said Oxenbridge Thatcher and John Edwards Executors of this my last will and testament, giving to each of them twenty pounds in consideration of their goodness to undertake the charge of executing this my will and the trust I hereby repose in them. I hereby revoke all former wills and devises by me made.

In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal and publish and declare this only to be my last will and testamt this thirtieth day of January, seventeen hundred and thirty-four; before sealing I further add yt if my outstanding debts, besides what is due for my house sold, shall be gott in, I give my said wife one hundred pounds more in province bills, but if all be not gotten in, I give her in proportion to what shall be got in of them, such proportion of one hundred pounds.

Abra Blish

Signed, seal^d publisht & declared accordingly in presence of
Jno. Read.
Dudson Kilcup.
Step^n Greenleaf.

TO ALL CHRISTIAN PEOPLE to whom these presents shall come:

I, Abraham Blish of Boston, Feltmaker, send Greeting: Whereas I have lately made my last will and testament bearing date the 30th day of January last & therein appointed Messrs Oxenbridge Tratcher & John Edwards my trustees and given them, after my decease, a certain residue and remainder of my goods, chattels, plate and household stuff, desk and large silver tankard, in trust for the sole and seperate use of my grand-daughter, Martha Brown, during her coverture, and further ordered that if she die continuing the marriage with her present husband, Mr. Robert Brown, and without issue, then my said trustees shall convey and deliver the said goods and chattels to two of my nephews therein mentioned,—Now therefore, Know ye that my mind and will, upon further advisement is, and I do hereby direct, devise and appoint, that if my said grand-daughter shall see cause to make and publish her will, notwithstanding her coverture, and therein order the giving and conveying of all the goods, chattels and household stuff and plate, desk and silver tankard aforesaid to any other person or persons whatsoever, then my trustees shall so accordingly order, give and dispose of the same and of all the money, principal and interest proceeding of the same, in full discharge of their trust aforesaid touching the same; and this I will to be annext a codicil to my afores^d will and always holden and taken a parcell of the same.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of February seventeen hundred and thirty-four.

Abrā Blish. (Seal.)

Sign^d sealed, publisht & declared in presence of
Jno. Read.
Dudson Kilcup.
Step^n Greenleaf.

George Baker & Richard Sharpe of London, Haberdashers, gave Power of Attorney to Capt. Samuel Carey of Boston, in New England, Mariner, to collect money due them from the personal representatives of Abraham Blish. Dated June 20, 1737.

INVENTORY of the Estate of Abraham Blish of Boston.

	£	s	d
234 Felt Hatts, mens and boys, £77.14/6 83 Castors D^o £85.4/ 17 Beavers £42.10/	205	08	06
14 Camell Hair,	14	15	00
2 G^s & 9 Hatt Linings £11.12/ 8G^s Hatt bands, £8.	19	12	00

9 Hatt Boxes 18/ 4½ Doz Felt Towstrings, 67/6 2½lb Black Thread, 20/	5	05	06
1lb Verdigrease & 4 Yds Hatt Case 70/ 14 Lores 21/ 10 Brushes 10/	5	01	00
4 Doz. looping & 3 cutting knives 15/ 22lb Beaver £7.14/ 6 Doz Pelt 84/	12	13	00
1 Fox & 1 Mink Skin 14/ 3 boxes 3/ 3 Stuff Boxes 5/	2	02	00
1 Iron Bason 40/2 Stampers—1 Rubbing Dish, 20/	3	00	00
1 Dye Kettle 80/ 1 Walk Kettle 20/	5	00	00
1 Stiffning Kettle 6/ 1 Stiffning Brush 1/ 62 Blocks 10/	00	17	00
1 Hand Saw & Hamer 5/ 1 X Cutt Saw 45/	2	10	00
1 Beetle & 2 Wedges 5/ 3 Firelock & 4 old Swords £5.15/	6	00	00
1 large Chair, 6 leather Chairs 69/ Earthen Ware 52/	6	01	00
2 Coats of Arms 13/	0	13	00
6 pr Andirons & 2 pr Doggs £5.11/ 7Sconces broken & whole 92/	10	03	00
4 Tables £5.6/1 Large, 20 Small Cane Chairs, £10.	15	06	00
1 Cane Couch, squab & pillows,	4	00	00
3 Looking Glasses, 1 Dressing Glass £16.15/ 37 pictures, 5 Maps, £9.5/	26	00	00
1 Desk £8. Steps for China Ware, 2/ China Ware £9.19/	10	01	00
10 Images 8/ Glassware 21/ 2 Jappan Mustard Potts & 1 pepr Box 4/	1	13	00
5 pr Tongs, 4 Fire Shovels 53/ Suit of Red Curtains, Valens, bases—Calico Curtns head cloth & Tester quilted, 1 Bedd Curtain & Cornishes £20.	22	13	00
1 Suit of Curtains, Valens, bases and base mouldings, 1 Counterpane, Bedstead & Curtain Rodds,	22	00	00
4 Feather beds, 4 Bolsters, 87 pillows £43.8/2 2 Setts Curtain Rodds 14/	44	02	02
1 Bedstead & Cornishes 28/ 12 bass bottom Chairs 36/ 3 Blanketts 95/	7	19	00
4 Calico Quilts, 3 Ruggs £5.17/ 1 broken close stool & pan 12/ 1 small Table, 1 Cushion & 1 tin Basket 13/ 1 Chest of Drawers & Table, £9.	9	13	00
2 Glass Decanters 12/ 1 old Lignum Vita Punch Bowl & Cover 6/	0	18	00
6 old Trunks, 3 Boxes 58/ 1 Counter & 1 old Box 10/ 1 old Bed & Rug, 10/	3	18	00
1 Bedstead bottom, Wool Bed, Rug & Blanket, 90/ 2 Trammels 16/	5	06	00
1 Gridiron, 1 Spit, 2 Chaffin Dishes, 2 pr Tobacco Tongs, 1 Flesh Fork, 1 Fryg Pan,	1	15	00
1 Iron for Scures, 2 Boxes Irons , 4 Heaters, 1 Chopping Knife, 8 Iron Candlesks	1	02	00
1 pr Bellows, 1 pr Iron Snuffers, 1 Warming Pan, 1 Brass Ladle, 1 Scummer, 1 Brass Bason,	1	05	00
7 Brass candlesticks, 1 Snuffer stand, 1 Extinguisher, 1 brass 1 Bell Mettle Skillt	2	10	00
2 Brushes & Tin Ware,	1	18	00
1 Pewter Tea Pott 3/ 41½lb old Pewter, £6.4/6 86lb Do better			

	£	s	d
£16.4/6	22	17	00
1 Kitchen Table, 1 Joynt Stool, 10/ a prcell of old Iron 25/...	1	15	00
1 Glass, 1 tin Canistr 4/ 4 Doz Glass Bottles 24/	1	08	00
1 Doz pr Ivory haft Knives & forks 40/ 1 Cane wth Silver Ferril 4/	2	08	00
1 old Jack & Weight 20/ 2 Gs Laces & Tape 24/	2	04	00
a prcell of old Books & Pamphlets, £8, 41lb old Brass £7.3/6	15	03	06
1 old Copper wt 40lb £7. 2 Iron Potts 10/ 2 old Barrels 4/..	7	14	00
1½ ball soap 30/ a Remnant of Diaper 4/ a prcell of old cloth 5/	1	19	00
33¾ Yds Linnen Cloth £16.1/9 14 Yds Muslin £5.12/ 1 prcell Calico £6.	27	13	00
5 Yds Osenbriggs (?) 15/ 3 Yds Cotton & Linnen 10/6 13 pr sheets & an half sheet £17.	18	05	06
1 old Table cloth and 1 ps Tow cloth, 5/ 9 Table cloths £6.1	6	00	00
35 Napkins £5.6/6 3 Bolster Cases, 11 Pillow Cases 69/6.....	8	16	00
158½ oz. Plate, ...	198	02	06
1 Silver Tankard, Mark D+wt 43½ oz.	54	07	06
2 pr Gold Buttons, wt 4 Dwt 6gr 76/8 Wearing Apparil £30.18/	34	14	06
1 Wigg & Box 45/ 1 Negro Woman £80	82	05	00
Mansion House & Land	2000	00	00
1 Suit striped Kinting Curtains 70/2 Suits Linnen D° £5. ...	8	10	00
1 Suit Pladd D° 35/ 1 Suit Callico Curtains & Cornishes 85/ ..	6	00	00
Province Bills, ...	317	00	00
	£3312	04	05

Willm Downs, Andr Eliot, Benjamin Clark, Stephen Greenleaf & James Goold their Bond for thirteen hundred pounds,, not due till November next, without any Int. at yt time. £1300 00 00

Oxenbridge Thatcher and John Edwards presented the foregoing and made oath that it contains a true and perfect Inventory of the Estate of Abraham Blish, aforesaid, deceased, as far as hath come to their knowledge, and that if more hereafter appear, they will cause the same to be added. The subscribing appraisers were at the same time sworn as the law directs.

J. Willard, Judge.

Boston, Apr. 28th, 1735.

The will of Susanna Blish, dated 25 Feby. 1735, was admitted to probate 9 Aug. 1738, and letters testamentary granted to Zechariah Hubbart and Elizabeth Hubbart, widow. She bequeaths property to Sarah, w. of nephew Zechariah Hubbart, to Susanna, James, Thomas, Tuthill, Joseph, John, and Elizabeth children of nephew John Hubbart, to Susanna and Zechariah, children of nephew Zechariah Hubbart, and to Zechariah Hubbart, nephew, and Elizabeth Hubbart, widow, niece.

In 1711 there was a destructive fire in Boston, originating in an old tenement occupied by Mary Moss or Morse, who was alleged to have been drunk. There is a petition on file in the City Clerk's office asking for payment of losses on account of this fire, signed by the sufferers, among which was Abraham Blish. The following signature is taken from that petition. The strength of this signature is in marked contrast with that attached to his will.

Abrã Blish

References.—*Record Comrs. Reports, Boston Prob. Rec., Brattle St. Ch. Rec., Drakes' Hist. & Antiq. Boston, Lathrop's Hist. Brattle St. Church, Windsor's Mem. Hist. Boston, N. E. Gen. Regr., Plym. Colony Rec., Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Tn. Rec., Winthrop Papers, Sewall Papers,* &c.

THIRD GENERATION.

5. JOSEPH[3] BLISH.

(Joseph[2] Abraham[1])

JOSEPH,[3] s. of Joseph[2] Blish (3) and Hannah Hull, b. 13 Sept. 1675, at West Barnstable, Mass. m. 30 July, 1702, Hannah, dtr. of Richard and Mehitable (Dimmick) Child, b. 10 Nov. 1674. She was a twin with Ebenezer, who d. in 1675.

CHILDREN, born in Barnstable.

21+JOSEPH,[4] b. 2 Feby., 1704.
22. ABIGAIL,[4] b. 29 Nov. 1705. m. *Seth Crocker.*
23+SARAH,[4] b. 1 Oct. 1707. m. 29 Oct. 1735, *Seth Hamblin.*
24. MEHITABLE,[4] b. 14 June 1711. m. 29 Oct. 1730, *Benjamin Jenkins.*
25. ABRAHAM,[4] b. 29 Sept. 1712. d. 11 Jany. 1760. Tombstone at W. Barnstable says "in his 48th year".
26. HANNAH,[4] b. 14 June 1715.

1721. Mar. 9. Joseph Blish and Shubal Dimock chosen hogreves.
1722. June 27. Joseph Blish, Jr., and John Baker "prized" the goods and chattels of Thomas Ewer.
1729. The Inventory of John Ewer is signed by David Lorning, John Annable and Joseph Blish, Jr.
1729. Mar. 6. Was chosen Grand juryman.
1730. Mar. 11. Was chosen fence viewer.
1732. May 9. "Voted to chose an agent to collect the fines arising on several persons of s[d] town in y[e] last year for not killing blackbirds according to the former town act or vote. Voted that Joseph Blish be an agent for the above s[d] business, and that Gideon Hathaway be another."
1732. June 19. Chosen juryman for the July court.
1735. Apr. 8. Chosen Grand juryman for the Superior Court, with Thomas Lewis, Jonathan Hamlin and John Howland.
1738. Mar. 8. Again chosen Grand juryman for the Superior Court.

1741. Mar. 11. Joseph Blish, Jr., was one of five to apportion the lands of Nathaniel Crocker.
Also had claim against the estate of Thomas Crocker, "on book to balance account 01-04-10."

Hannah, the wife of Joseph[3] Blish, d. 11 Nov. 1732. She must have been 58 yrs. old, tho' her tombstone says "in ye 56th year of her age."

Joseph[3] Blish m. as his second wife, Remember Backus of Sandwich, Mass., in 1733. The inscription on his tombstone at W. Barnstable says:—"Here lies buried the body of Mr. Joseph Blish, who died March the 14th, 1754, in ye 80th year of his age."

His will was proven 7 May 1754, before Silvanus Bourne, Judge, and letters issued to his son Joseph.

WILL OF JOSEPH[3] BLISH.

In the name of God, Amen! I, Joseph Blish of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable, yeoman, remembering my mortality and being by God's goodness of sound and disposing mind and memory, do this fifth day of January, 1749, make and ordain this my last will and testament:

First of all I give and recommend my soul to God, in Jesus Christ, and my body I commit to the earth in decent burial att the discretion of my Executor; & touching the worldly estate that God hath blessed me with, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, and my will is that my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid by my son Joseph Blish, hereafter appointed Executor.

Imps.—I give and bequeath to my loving wife, Remember Blish, the improvement of all of my real estate in lieu of her dower, while she remains my widow, excepting my marsh on Bridge Creek Island, my sons deeds being in full force as to that and therein after my decease. I also give and bequeath to my said wife half of my live stock and Indoers utensils and household stuff, after particular gifts thereof are taken out. Also I give to my said wife a sufficiency of provisions and eatables to bring the year about, as also one bed, bolster, pillows, bedstead, curtain rods and the best curtains, if two pair there be, the rug and coverlid she bought, and the best coverlid, two blankets, two pair of sheets, excepting the set curtain rods I gave my daughter Sarah, unless there be two pair of curtain rods, viz. a pair for each of them.

It.—I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Blish to his heirs and assigns forever all and singular my real estate of all kinds, saving the term above to my wife, comprising in part thereof deeds to him and his brother, in their full extent: further I give and bequeath to my said son Joseph Blish, my smith tools, cash, credits and book debts and best cane, half my husbandry tools and wearing apparel, R^d of cloth intended for my cloathing, he paying my just debts and funeral charges and paying six months after my decease, twenty pounds, old Tennour or an equivalent to my daughter Sarah Hamblin, and one hundred pounds old Tennour, or the

equivalent to his brother Abraham Blish or his heirs in twelve months after he gets into the full improvement of all my real estate. Further I give and bequeath my stores of provisions to my said son after my said wife is supplyed.

It.—I give and bequeath to my son Abraham Blish one hundred pounds, old Tennour as above, to be paid as above and my wearing tacklin, my gun and small cane, half my husbandry tacklin, half my apparel and half my cloath design^d^ for my cloathing, confirming former grants and deeds.

It.—I give and bequeath to my daughter Abigail Crocker, half my live stock and indoer utensils and household stuff after particular gifts are taken out.

It.—I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Hamblin twenty pounds old tennour to be paid as above as also my bed in the east room, bolster, pillows, bedstead, cord, curtains, if y^t^ be two pair, two pair of sheets, two blankets, two coverlids equal them I hereafter give her sister Jenkins.

It.—I give and bequeath to my daughter Mehitable Jenkins the little bed, one blanket, two pair of sheets, two coverlids equal to her sister Hamblin, as also the bedstead belonging to the little bed, cord, &c.

It.—I constitute, make and ordain my son Joseph Blish sole Executor of this my last will and testament, revoking other wills and confirming this.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & date above.

Signed, sealed, pronounced, published and declared by said Joseph Blish to be his last will and testament in presence of the subscribers.

Joseph Blish. (Seal.)

Thomas Ewer.
John Blish.
David Crocker.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Ch. Rec. and Child Genealogy.*

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8. ABRAHAM[3] BLISH.

(Joseph[2] Abraham[1])

ABRAHAM[3] s. of Joseph[2] Blish (3) and Hannah Hull, was b. 27 Feby. 1680-1, at W. Barnstable, Mass. He m. 12 Nov. 1736, Temperance Fuller, b. 1715.

CHILDREN, born in Barnstable.

27.+ABRAHAM,[4] b. 20 Oct. 1737.
28.+ELIJAH,[4] b. 5 Mar. 1739.
29. REBEKAH,[4] b. 14 Nov. 1740.
30. BENJAMIN,[4] b. 9 May 1743.
31. ELISHA,[4] b. 23 Apr. and d. 17 Nov. 1745.

32. ELISHA,[4] b. 1 Mar. 1746-7.
33. MARTHA,[4] b. 14 July 1749. m. 21 Feby. 1771, by Rev. Oakes Shaw, to *Nathaniel Hinckley* 'ye 3rd'.
34. TEMPERANCE,[4] b. 21 Nov. 1751. m. 2 Jany. 1772, by Rev. Oakes Shaw, to *Andrew Lovell, Jr.*
35. TIMOTHY,[4] b. 3 Aug. 1756. Probably died young.

1724. Mar. 27. Abraham Blush filed a claim against the estate of Thomas Crocker, 02-04-01. Allowed for 00-13-07. Estate insolvent and rate 2/2d per pound.
1743. Nov. "Abraham Blish's mark for creatures is crop off each ear and a half penny under ye right ear".
1744. Was drawn for pettit juror.
1753. Oct. 10. Was chosen one of the Surveyors of ways.
1756. F b. 10. Was chosen one of the hog-reeves.
1763. "Voted to remit Abraham Blish & Isaac Howland their rates in Joseph Blish, Jr., bills, being in the sum of £1-8-8."

Abraham Blish died before Feby. 3rd, 1760, at W. Barnstable. Letters of administration were granted to his brother Joseph Blish, 5 Feby., 1760. An Inventory of his estate was filed 3 Mar. 1760.

INVENTORY—ABRAHAM BLISH.

We, the Subscribers, being appointed and sworn by the Honorable Silvanus Bourn, Esquire, Judge of Probate, &c., to apprise the Estate of Abraham Blish of Barnstable, Yeoman, deceased do apprise the same as followeth, viz:

his purse and apparell £8-8-0, Arms £2-13-4.	£11— 1—4
one bed bedstead and coverlid, ...	7— 6—8
one ditto £6-13-4—Ditto £5-9-4—Ditto 2-0-0	14— 2—8
one pr curtains and rods, ...	1— 6—8
7 pr sheets 37/4 1 Doz napkins 16/ table linnen.....	2—13—4
6 pillow cases 8/ towels & table linnen 20/	1— 8—0
1 desk 20/ 1 case of Draws 24/ 1 looking glass 20/ 1 Ditto 2/	4— 3—0
1 trunk 5/ 1 chest 8/ 1 table 4/ 2 ditto & salt box 2/	0—18—0
18 chairs 27/ 1 round table 16/ 1 box 4/8	2— 7—8
1 porringer 40/ 5 spoons 40/ 3 Ditto 9/ Bottels 2/	5—7—0
1 pr looms & warping bars 53/4 sleighs, harness &c 48/8..	5— 2—0
Stilyards & Buttonmold 4/ Lamp, mortar & Pestle 4/	0— 8—0
½ of a hetchel 10/8 saddle & bridle 24/	1—14—8
walking cane 1/ 4 baskets 4/ empty hogshead 2/8	0— 8—0
Meal chist, Sives & Bags 7/14 tongs & slice 6/9 Irons 8/8 ...	1— 2—0
Chafendish, gridiron & Toasting Iron 8/	0—8—0
Tramels 8/ Warming pan 5/4 Iron ware 8/	2—0—8
Belmettle skillet 8/ Brass Kittle 36/ frying pan 1/	2— 5—0

Pewter 4/4 Knives & forks 6/8 candle sticks 1/	2— 9—0
Tubbs, pails, half Bushell & bread trough, ...	0— 8—0
Wheels and Reals 6/8 earthenware 2/8	0—09—4
Trays, churn, wooden Bowles, coolers, small tubbs	0— 9—8
Cags & wooden can 1/4 spice Mortar 8^{d} Delfware 9/5	0—4—4
Paper & Reading Books 4/ Meat & Barrels £5-12-0	5—16—0
Molasses & beer barrils, turnip Barrils	0—4—8
Corn £6, Rye 13/4 wheat 12/ chese 24/	8— 5—4
Cartwheels chep & pin £4. Apples 9/ Irons 10/8 Yokes 5/4	4—16—0
Axes 8/ Sythes 12/ Sickles 2/ wedges 2/ traces 8/	1—12—0
Wheelbarraw 6/ rakes 1/ forks 2/8 collar & geers 6/.....	0—15—8
Shovells 1/4 hoes 6/ drawshave 1/ spade 9/ crowbar 4/.....	0—12—4
2 oxen £11-6-8, 4 cows £16-13-4; 3 young cattle 4-1-4 ...	32—1—4
1 horse £6/8, 2 swine £1-16/1, 6 sheep £5-6-8	13— 2—8
house & lot, woodlot and meadow	476—13—4
	£512— 5—4

Barnstable, Mar. 3^{d}, 1760.

Dower set off to Temperance widow of Abraham Blish by David Parker, Jabez Howland and Ebenezer Child, 1/3 to her, Aug. 5th, 1760.

The appraisers set off a portion to Benjamin Blish son of said Abraham Blish, deceased, by metes and bounds—valued at £55-4^{s}-5^{d}. Aug. 5th 1760.

Widow, Temperance Blish, united with the church 6 Sept. 1761.

Children, Martha and Temperance were baptized 4 Oct. 1761.

The same commissioners having reported "that the lands of Abraham Blish cannot be divided among all of the heirs of said Abraham Blish without great prejudice to to or spoiling the whole;" and said estate having been appraised at four hundred ninety and seven pounds, and having set off 1/6 of the remaining 2/3 after assigning the widow's dower, to Benjamin, the youngest son, the other 5/6 were assigned to the eldest sons of said deceased, Abraham and Elijah, they to pay their sisters, Mary and Temperance the sum of £55-4^{s} and 5^{d} apiece on or before the sixth day of Aug. next, with interest at 6 p. c^{t} p. annum. Ordered by the court Jany. 6th, 1762. *Silvanus Bourn,*

Judge of Probate.

In Administrator's report, filed Jany. 6, 1761, Joseph Blish says:—"The accounts of how I have administered on the estate of my deceased brother, Abraham Blish."

Division of widow's dower one-third of the lands of

Abraham Blish that was set off to Temperance, his widow, deceased. Shares are set off to
Joseph Blish, grantee of Elijah Blish—
Martha Hinckley, wife of Nathaniel Hinckley, *the third.*
Benjamin Blish—(includes the piece of meadow at "Blish's Point".)
Temperance Blish—"a minor".
Comrs. Isaac Hinckley, Jon^n Crocker & Ebenezer Jenkins.
Dated 20 Mar. 1771. Approved 25 Mar. 1771.
James Otis, Judge of Probate.

GUARDIANSHIP.

Joseph Blish was appointed guardian for Benjamin, minor son of Abraham Blish, 5 Feby., 1760. Temperance Blish was appointed guardian of Martha, minor daughter of Abraham Blish, "late of Barnstable, yeoman, deceased," 5 Feby., 1760. Joseph Blish was appointed guardian of Martha and Temperance Blish, 13 Sept., 1767.

The account of what I have done towards bringing up my daughter Temperance Blish for food and raiment:

August 6th 1761 six pounds ten shillings, ...	6—10—0
August 6th 1762 five pounds ten shillings, ...	5—10—0
August 6th 1763, four pounds ten shillings, ...	4—10—0
August 6th 1764 two pounds ten shillings, ...	2—10—0
August 6th 1765 one pound ten shillings, ...	1—10—0
August 6th 1766 one pound ten shillings	1—10—0
August 13th 1767 one pound three and nine pence	1—03—9
	£23—03—9
July 13, 1767. Received of my daughter Temperance Blish's interest money, twenty-one pounds ten and eight pence, ...	21—10—8
Balance due, ...	1—13—4

Temperance Blish.

Temperance Blish, widow of Abraham[3] (8) died in 1767. The inscription on her tombstone, at W. Barnstable, reads as follows:—"Here lies buried Mrs Temperance, wife of Mr Abraham Blish, who dec^d Aug^st ye 10th 1767, in ye 52 year of her age."

WILL OF TEMPERANCE BLISH.

In the Name of God, Amen! I, Temperance Blish, of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable, Spinster, remembering my mortality and being by God's goodness, of sound disposing mind and memory, do this twentieth day of July, 1767, make and ordain this my last will and testament.

First of all, I give and recommend my soul to God, in Jesus Christ and my body I commit to the earth in decent burial at the discretion of my executor: and touching the worldly estate that God hath blessed me with, I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, and my will is, that my just debts and funeral charges shall be paid by my executor hereafter named out of my estate.

Item.—I give and devise to my daughters Martha Blish and Temperance Blish all my wearing apparel and my bed curtains and what belongs to the bed, except one blanket which I gave to my son Benjamin Blish.

Item.—I give and bequeath to my two sons Abraham Blish and Elijah Blish twenty shillings to each of them.

Item.—I give to my three children, Benjamin, Martha and Temperance all the remainder of my estate to be equally divided between them.

Item.—I constitute, make and ordain Joseph Blish Jur sole executor of this my last will and testament, revoking all other wills and confirming this. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date above. *Temperance Blish,* (Seal.)

Signed, sealed, pronounced, published and declared by the said Temperance Blish to be her last will and testament, in the presence of the subscribers.

Joseph Blish.
Isaac Goodspeed.
Ebenezer Blish.

Admitted to probate and letters testamentary to Joseph Blish, Jr., 13 Sept., 1767.

INVENTORY OF TEMPERANCE BLISH'S ESTATE.

It:	3 Gounds,	£3— 0—0
It:	One Riding-hood 15/ one bed and furniture 10£ ...	10—15—0
It:	One desk & looking glass,	2—18—0
It:	One round table & two small tables,	1— 4—0
It:	Seven chairs 14/ Iron ware 18/	1—12—0
It:	One necklace and earrings and silver chain	2— 5—0
It:	One brass kittle & bell mettle skillet	1— 0—0
It:	Puter, Knives & forks, candlesticks, pails, tubbs	1—17—0
	Wheels, trays, churn, mortars & Delfeware,	0—16—0
	Bible and Books,	0— 4—0
Its	Lamp, mortar &pestle & half a hetchel,	0—14—8
	Meal chest and chafendish	0—11—0
It:	Silver spoons, meet, bed & bedstead	8—16—8
		£35—13—4

Dated 8 Mar. 1768.

Joseph Blish, Jr., made report 12 Mar., 1771, showing the estate settled. Among the items are the following:

Legacy given to Elijah Blish, ...	£ 1-0- 0
To what I paid Martha Hinckley as her part, ...	15-3-11
To what I credited Temperance, for her part, as I am her guardian, ...	15-3-11

References—*Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Tn. Rec. and Barn. Ch. Rec.*

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9. REUBEN[3] BLISH.

(Joseph[2] Abraham[1])

REUBEN[3] s. of Joseph[2] (3) and Hannah (Hull) Blish, was b. 14 Aug., 1683, at W. Barnstable, Mass. He was m. 25 Jany. 1717, by Col. Otis, to Elizabeth, dtr. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Besse) Bodfish. She was b. in Barnstable 27 Aug. 1690.

CHILDREN.

36. JOHN,[4] b. 9 Sept. 1717.
37 SILAS,[4] b. 8 Apr. 1719.
38. REUBEN,[4] b. 6 Feby. 1721.
39. ELIZABETH,[4] b. 10 Feb. 1722-3.
40. HANNAH,[4] b. ..... May 1725. m. 7 Feby. 1744, *Zach Perry* of Sandwich, Mass.*
41. THANKFUL,[4] b. 30 May 1727. m. 22 Oct. 1758, *Caleb Perry* of Sandwich, Mass.

Elizabeth, the mother, d. ..... and Reuben Blish m. 25 Oct. 1735, Mary Thomas.

1723. Jany. 20. Reuben Blish was a witness to the will of Israel Call.

1729-30 & 1733. Was chosen juryman.

1735. Was chosen constable with John Bacon.

"Voted to Reuben Blish & John Bacon three encouragemen each, on same conditions that it was voted last year."

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*Freeman has Hannah (76) dtr. Joseph (21) m. to Zach. Perry, and Thankful (45) dtr. Tristram (14) m. to Caleb Perry, Hannah (76) d. unmarried, in 1807 at the age of 75, and it is quite likely that Thankful (41) followed her sister Hannah (40) to Sandwich.

1737. Jany. 10. Was chosen for juryman.

"Voted 40s to Reuben Blish which he lost by counterfeit money as constable."

The exact date of his death is not known, but his will was proven 20 Oct. 1738. His widow Mary, m. 5 Mar. 1745, Lieut. John Annable.

WILL OF REUBEN BLISH.

In the name of God, Amen. This 3d day of July, 1738, I, Reuben Blish of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable in the Province of Massachusetts Bay in New England, being under illness in my body but of perfect, sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament:

Principally and first I give and commend my soul into the hands of God yt gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in decent christian manner; and as touching the worldly estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, viz: After all my just debts and funeral expenses are fully paid:

Imprs.—I give and bequeath unto Mary my well beloved wife the use and improvement of one-third part of all my real estate during her widowhood, and further I give to my said wife all yt personal estate she brought with her to me, to be at her own disposal; Also I give to my said wife the use of one-quarter part of all my household goods during her widowhood:

And my will further is that my two sons John and Reuben Blish do yearly during the widowhood of my said wife, cut and carry hay to winter one cow, and do cut and carry her fire-wood, also to get her corn ground and find her a horse to ride as she may have occasion, in consideration of what I shall hereafter give to ym.

Item.—I give and bequeath to my two sd sons John Blish and Reuben Blish, excepting the use as above sd all of my real estate equally between ym and to their respective heirs and assigns forever, upon condition of their doing as I shall order them.

Item.—I give and bequeath to my son Silas Blish 80 pounds in bills of credit at the rate the old tenor now passes (to be paid in one year after Reuben shall come to the age of twenty-one years, equally between my two sons John and Reuben Blish. Also I give to my son Silas Blish one cow. I further give to my three sons my armor and apparill equally between them. I also give to my two sons John and Reuben Blish all the remainder of my quick stock and all my husbandry tacklin equally between them.

Item:—I give to my three daughters, Elizabeth, Hannah and Thankful Blish each one thirty pounds in bills of credit to be paid as above by my two sons John and Reuben. I also give to my three daughters equally between them all my household goods excepting as above to my wife.

I hereby constitute and ordain my son John Blish sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date above written.

Signed, sealed, pronounced and declared by the said Reuben Blish to be his last will and testament.

his
Reuben Blish. Seal.

In the presence of

Joseph Blish, Jr.
Abraham Blish.
Jno. Baker.

References—*Barn. Prob. and Tn. Rec.*

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14. TRISTRAM[3] BLISH.

(Joseph[2] Abraham[1])

TRISTRAM[3], s. of Joseph[2] (3) and Hannah (Hull) Blish, was b. ..... Apr. 1694, at W. Barnstable, Mass. He m. 17 Oct. 1717, Anne, dtr. of Matthew and Patience (Young)* Fuller,** She was b. ..... Nov. 1693, at Barnstable.

CHILDREN born at W. Barnstable.

42.+BENJAMIN,[4] b. 16 June 1718.
43. ANNA,[4] (Hannah?) b. 10 Nov. 1719, d. at Colchester, Conn.
44.+SYLVANUS,[4] b. 13 Oct. 1721. Baptized 25 Nov. 1721.
45. THANKFUL,[4] b. 3 Sept. 1725. Baptized Nov. 1725.

CHILDREN born at Colchester, Conn.

46.+JOHN,[4] b. .....1727.
47.+JOSEPH,[4] b. 1 Dec. 1729.
48. PATIENCE,[4] b. 2 Feby. 1730.
49.+DAVID,[4] b. .....1732.
50.+MARY,[4] b. 8 Mar. 1736.

It is a tradition in the family that Tristram Blish was a weaver by trade. He was executor of the will of his father in Barnstable, and must have removed to Colchester, Conn., about 1726. His name occurs several times in the land records of Colchester. He was evidently named for Tristram Hull, his maternal grand-father. The records of Colchester and Marlborough are silent as to the deaths of him and his wife.

1739. Sept. 3. A list of the freemen of Colchester has the name of Thurston Blush.

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*See LATHROP. Appendix.
**See FULLER. Appendix.

1740. Apr. 16. The names of Tristram Blish and Anr. his wife, appear on the list of the members of the Westchester Church, which is the west parish of Colchester. "Trustram Blish made a confession of intemperance and was restored to the full charity and fellowship of the church."

The Hebron, Conn. Records have the following entry: "Edward Neland and Hannah Blush were joyned together in marriage, Oct. 30, 1746." This was probably Anna (43). Her mother's name was Anne and her grand-mother's Hannah. She would be 27 years old at the date of this marrage.

1749. July 30. "Trustram Blush and Ann, his wife and Danl. Chamberlain and Elizabeth, his wife, were dismissed to the church at New Marlboro." (This was probably the church in the northern part of the Town, now in the Town of Marlborough, but then in Colchester.)

1749. Sept. 4. Trustram Blush conveyed 8 acres of land in Colchester to Benjamin Root for £200.

1752. Mar. 3. Trustram Blush mortgaged 68½ acres in Colchester, "with the mansion", for £1200.

References—*Barn. Town and Prob. Rec. Colchester, Conn. Town Rec. and Westchester Church Rec.*

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16. BENJAMIN[3] BLISH.

(Joseph[2] Abraham[1])

BENJAMIN[3] s. of Joseph[2] (3) and Hannah (Hull) Blish, b. Apr. 1699, at W. Barnstable.

The only records touching him are the following:

1733. Was chosen Dec. 12, pettit juror for the Jany. term.

1735. Was chosen juror for the October court.

References—*Barn. Town Rec.*

17. ABRAHAM[3] BLISH.

(Abraham[2], Abraham[1].)

ABRAHAM[3] s. of Abraham[2] (4) and Martha (Shaw) Blish, was b. 31 Oct. 1683, at Boston, Mass. He m. Nov. 1707, Margaret Sergant (Sargent) of Ipswich, Mass.

He followed the trade of feltmaker or hatter, the same as his father. He was for a time located at Ipswich, Mass. He was baptized 14 Dec. 1699, in the Brattle Street Church in Boston, and united with the church 2 Apr. 1717. His will was probated in Boston, 16 Sept. 1717, before Samuel Sewall, Judge, from which it woud appear that he died there. His will was dated 29 Aug. 1717, and gives his entire estate to his wife Margaret, who is made executor. There is no record of any children.

References—*Boston Prob. Rec. and Rec. Brattle St. Ch. and Ipswich, Mass., Tn. Rec.*

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18. JOHN[3] BLISH.

(Abraham[2], Abraham[1].)

JOHN[3] s. of Abraham[2] (4) and Martha (Shaw) Blish, was b. 6 Feb. 1686, at Boston, Mass. He was baptized in the Brattle Street Church 14 Dec. 1699, aet. 13 years.

1714. June 16. "William Fillett, ye Sloop Hopewell, from N. Carolina. John Blush, a Merch^t^."

The foregoing are all of the records found of the children of Abraham (4), feltmaker of Boston. It would appear from his will, that his only living heir was his grand-daughter, Martha Brown. It is uncertain whose daughter she was, but probably Thomas Foster's.

References—*Rec. Comrs. Repts. Rec. Brattle St. Ch. and N. E. Gen. Regr.*

FOURTH GENERATION.

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21. JOSEPH[4] BLISH.

(Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham[1].)

DEACON JOSEPH,[4] s. of Joseph [3] (5) and Hannah (Child) Blish, was b. 2 Feby. 1704, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 28 Oct. 1730, Mercy, dtr. of William Crocker (s. of Joseph) and Mary Crocker (dtr. of Josiah.) She was b. 22 Sept. 1706, at Barnstable.

CHILDREN, born at West Barnstable:—

75+JOSEPH,[5] b. 20 July 1731. Bapt, 26 May 1733.
76.+HANNAH,[5] b. 28 Oct. 1732.
77. WILLIAM,[5] b. 22 Dec. 1733.
78. SAMUEL,[5] bap. 16 Mar. 1734-5.
(The Church record has "Mary, bap. 4 June, 1736.")
79. SETH,[5] bap. 25 Mar. 1739.
80. MERCY,[5] bap. 12 Oct. 1740.
81.+BENJAMIN,[5] bap. 18 July 1742.
82.+EBENEZER,[5] b. 1 Apr. 1744. Bap. 8 Apr. 1744.
83. TIMOTHY,[5] b. 16 Feby. 1745-6. Bap. 11 May 1746.

Joseph[4] Blish was a very active man in public affairs in Barnstable, as shown by the Town records.

1721. Mar. 9. Was chosen hogreve; "He refused servinge and then was chosen Ebenezer Goodspeed, Jr."
1723. Apr. 15. Was chosen fence-viewer.
Sept. 20. Was chosen for petit juryman.
1726/7. Mar. 3. Was chosen surveyor.
1727/8. Mar. 15. Was petit juryman for Superior Court.
.The foregoing offices may have been held by Joseph[4] (18) or by Joseph[3] (5). The record says "Joseph Blish Jr.," which would apply to either. The remainder of the record undoubtedly applies of Joseph[4] (21).)
1731. July 5. Was petit juryman.
1732. Aug. 15. "It was further voted that Joseph Blish, Jr., (and

several others) take care to prevent disorders in the night by servants and disorderly persons being abroad after 9 o'clock, contrary to the law of the Province."

1733/4. Mar. 13. Chosen one of the tithingmen.

1737/8. Mar. 3. Chosen one of the Surveyors, but refused serving, and Samuel Chipman was chosen in his place.

1738. Mar. 8. Was sworn in as Constable.

1740. Mar. 12. Was petit juryman for the Sup^{r} Court.

1741. Mar. 11. Chosen fence-viewer and also drawn for petit juryman.

1743. June 15. Again petit juryman.

1744. Mar. 8. Chosen surveyor. At the same meeting it was ordered:—"For preventing ye destruction of corn: It is voted that each householder within ye town of Barnstable, excepting ye ordained Ministers and those that are extream poor, in ye judgment of ye selectmen, shall annually before ye 10th day of June, bring to one of ye selectmen, four of ye heads of either crows, blackbirds, jabirds or ground squirrels, under penalty of six pence for each head not brought as aforesaid, to be recovered as ye law directs, for ye poor of said town; and that this act by ye town clerk be laid before ye court of General Sessions of ye Peace at y^{r} next Session for y^{r} approbation."

1747. May 14. "Lieut. Fuller, Joseph Blish, Jr., & Mr. Samuel Parker appointed a Committee to repair or build anew ye timber and wooden work for ye great-bridge and at y^{r} discretion to raise the same not exceeding 18 inches."

1750. Chosen juryman "in ye presence of ye selectmen".

Mar. 19. Chosen selectman with Col. Bourn and Daniel Davis. "Accepted and sworn as to ye money act and assessors oath, before me,

David Crocker, Justice of ye Peace."

1752. Feby. 28. "A Perambulation of the bounds betwixt Yarmouth and Barnstable, made and settled by ye Selectmen for each Town, who have hereunto subscribed, as followeth: (Here follow the bounds.)

Daniel Hall,	*Silvanus Bourn,*
Joseph Thacher,	*Joseph Blish, Jr.,*
Jonathan Hallett,	*Daniel Davis.*
Selectmen of Yarmouth	Selectmen of Barnstable.

1753. Mar. 14. Silvanus Bourn, Esqr, Joseph Blish, Jr., and Daniel Davis, chosen selectmen. "Silvanus Bourn, Esqr, David Crocker Esqr, Joseph Blish Jr., Peter Blossom and Seth Hamlin chosen a Committee to view the bridge by Mr. Marston's Milldam, to consider whether it is best to repair or amend the same or rebuild."

1753. May 25. Perambulation of the Bounds betwixt Sandwich and Barnstable: (Route given.)

Joseph Blish, Jr.	*Sam^{ll} Tupper,*
Daniel Davis,	*Thomas Smith,*
Selectmen of Barnstable.	Selectmen of Sandwich."

1754. Mar. 11. Silvanus Bourn, Joseph Blish, Jr., and Daniel Davis chosen selectmen.

1757. Mar. 8. "For Alewives—Sam^{ll} Parker, David Crocker Esqr and Joseph Blish."

1758. Nov. 25. The same persons were chosen "For the law of alewives, to order about them."

1758. Sept. 7. Was chosen Constable, but refused to serve, for which he was fined.

1759. Voted to remit to Joseph Blish his fine laid upon him by the court of General Sessions for not serving in the office of Constable as requested by the freeholders of the town."

1760. July 14. The Church voted to encourage the Rev. Oakes Shaw to settle here and offered him £200 lawful money settlement, in five payments of forty Pounds per year, and eighty pounds lawful money as salary. The committee to wait on Mr. Shaw were Isaac Hinckley, Esqr, Deacon John Crocker and Mr. Joseph Blish.

1761-2. Feb. 26. Mr. Joseph Blish and Mr. Timothy Chipman were chosen Deacons of the West Church.

1761. Oct. 21. "Voted to chose a committee to putt the great bridge in repair according to s^{d} committee's discretion; s^{d} bridge to be raised not to exceed two inches; Isaac Hinckley Esqr, Mr. Joseph Blish and Mr. Daniel Crocker were chosen such committee." After some further discussion the committee was voted off as it seemed to encroach upon the prerogatives of the selectmen.

1762 Nov. 2. Joseph Blish's mark for creatures, a slit in the right ear and a half crop under the left ear.

1763. Nov. 25. "Voted to chose Col. Otis, Esqr Marston and Deacon Blish, agents for the west precinct."

1764. May 17. "David Gorham Esqr and Mr Joseph Blish chosen a committee to settle accounts with the Town Treasurer and to report to ye full meetinge."

1764. Oct. 18. "Coll. Otis, Nymphas Marston, Esqr, Deacon Robt. Davis, Deacon Joseph Blish, Edward Bacon, Esqr and Capt. Jesse Lewis chosen school agents."

1765. Mar. ye 7th. Joseph Otis, Esqr, chosen agent for the Town to prosecute Mr. Joseph Blish for his fine for not serving as Constable for some years past."

1766. Apr. 9. Chosen grand-juryman. Also on Committee to see about building a new poor-house or trading with Coll. Otis, and to report at next Town Meeting.

1767. Mar. 11. "On a vote being called for whether the town would act on a paragraph (?) respecting the prosecution of Deacon Joseph Blish for recovery of his fine, &c. as per request of ten freeholders on file, it passed in the negative."

1767. Nov. 11. Deacon Joseph Blish chosen surveyor of highways for the lower district, west precinct, in room of Isaac Hinckley, who declined serving.

1768. Apr. 12. Joseph Blish drawn for grand juror.
Oct. 20. "Voted to allow and pay the account of Joseph Otis Esqr as agent for prosecuting Deacon Joseph Blish for not serving as Constable, being £7-19-4.

1769. Jan'y. 12. "Voted that Mr Jon^{n} Crocker, Cornelius Crocker and Deacon Blish be a committee to agree with Mr Thos. Allyn for the trespass done to his wood lot by the Town through mistake and report at the next meeting."

1771. May 6. Deacon Blish appointed grand juror.

1740. Feby. 10. In the will of William Crocker is the following: "*Item*: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mercy Blish fifty pounds, in common paper currency, to be paid in six months after my decease out of my personal estate."

1741. Apr. 6. Joseph Crocker's will has the following: "*Item*: I give to my two sisters, Mercy Blish and Alice Beals, to each of them twenty pounds."

Deacon Joseph[4] Blish d. 21 June, 1780, at West Barnstable. His tombstone says: "In Memory of Deac^{n} JOSEPH BLISH—He died June ye 21st 1780, in ye 77th year of his age."

His wife Mercy d. Aug. 1756. Her inscription is as follows:

"Here lies buried the body of Mrs. Mercy, wife of Mr. Joseph Blish, Died Aug^st 1756. in ye 50th year of her age."

His will was proven and letters issued to his son Joseph,[5] 11 July, 1780.

WILL.

In the name of God, Amen!

I Joseph Blish of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable, Yeoman, being advanced in years and calling to mind my mortality and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die, but being now of sound and disposing mind and memory, do this twenty-fourth day of January, anno Domini, 1770, make and ordain these presents to contain my last Will and Testament.

And first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to the earth in decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named, hoping for the free pardon of all my sins, in and through the merits of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, in whom I believe and trust. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith God hath blessed me with in this life, I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, viz: Imprimis: My will is that all my just debts and funeral charges be first paid out of my personal estate, as well as the charges for settling my estate.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Joseph and to his heirs and assigns forever all that part of my buildings and land now in his improvement, with half of the length of that enclosure called the "Swamp pasture" to be set out at the southermost end thereof; and also that my piece of salt meadow adjoining to Bridge creek, bounded northerly and southerly by John Blish and easterly by the meadow formerly Deacon John Barkers; also one other piece of meadow I bought of Reuben Blish's Administrator known by the "lower point" with one other piece of meadow I bought of Elisha Hinckley adjoining to the cut dock in Hamlin' pond, socalled, together with my walking cane.

Item: I give to my son Ebenezer, to his heirs and assigns forever all my other buildings in my own improvement with the land adjoining, including that part of the swamp pasture after his brother's part is set off he allowing his sister Hannah the use and improvement of the best chamber in my dwelling house and privilege in the oven and to pass and repass to and from said chamber and oven through the kitchen during her unmarried estate; also all my lands called the "point field" with the meadow adjoining; also one piece of high meadow I bought of Deacon John Barker, known by the name of "Barker's meadow"; also one other piece of meadow I bought of Benjamin Blish, he paying his brother Joseph the sum of thirteen pounds, six shillings and eight pence, lawful money, within one year after my decease; also I give to my said son Ebenezer one bed, bedstead and cord with two coverlids and two pair of sheets being equivalent to what I have heretofore given his brother Joseph.

Item: I give to my daughter Hannah the use and improvement of the best chamber in my dwelling house and privilege in the oven and to pass

and repass to and from said chamber and oven through the kitchen; also one cord of good oak wood to be brought to the door of my dwelling house by each of her brothers during her unmarried state, and each of them pay her six pounds five shillings and four pence, lawful money within one year after my decease. I also give to my said daughter one cow which she shall choose, my best bed, bedstead, cord, curtain rods, and curtains, one Rugg, the best coverlid, one blanket, two pair of sheets, two pillows and cases and forty pounds lawful money out of my personal estate.

Item: I give unto my two sons and unto their heirs and assigns forever all my real estate not particularly in this my will given unto them to be equally divided between them and in case I shall purchase any real estate after the date of this my will, then my two sons their heirs and assigns to enjoy the same, they and each of them paying unto their sister one-sixth part of the value of the purchase money.

Also it is my will that, whereas I have two pews in the meeting house in the West Precinct, that my two sons divide them the same as my real estate only reserving to my said daughter a seat in the lower pew so long as she shall have occasion to set there.

Item: I give to my two sons to be equally divided between them, my wearing apparel, husbandry tools, smith tools, stock of iron and coals and weaving tackling.

Item: I give unto and my will is that whatsoever personal estate that I have and not particularly in this my will disposed of, be equally divided between my three children, Joseph, Ebenezer and Hannah. Moreover it is my will that if any of my children (that if either of my children) shall be indebted to me either on book or note at my decease, that to be reckoned as part and parcel of my personal estate and to be divided as my other personal estate is to be in this my will, viz: to each one-third.

Lastly: I constitute and appoint my son Joseph sole Executor of this my will, hereby disallowing and revoking all other will or wills by me heretofore made or done, ratifying and confirming this and no other to contain my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Joseph Blish, (L. S.)

Witnessed by—

Isaac Hinckley.
Joseph Hinckley Jr.
Abigail Hinckley Sr.

References—*Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Tn. Rec., W. Barn. Ch. Rec., Freeman's Cape Cod, W. Barn. Cemetery, Otis Barn. Families.*

22. SARAH[4] (BLISH) HAMLIN.

(Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SARAH,[4] dtr. of Joseph[3] (5) and Hannah (Child) Blish, was b. 1 Oct. 1707, at West Barnstable, Mass. She m. 9 Oct. 1735, Seth Hamlin.

CHILDREN.

90. MERCY HAMLIN, b. 15 Nov. 1737.
91. SARAH HAMLIN, b. 18 Aug. 1739.
92. ABIGAIL HAMLIN, b. 14 Aug. 1741.
93. SETH HAMLIN, b. 20 Aug. 1744.
94. ALICE HAMLIN, b. 2 Aug. 1747.

—*Barn. Tn. Rec.*

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27. ABRAHAM[4] BLISH.

(Abraham,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ABRAHAM[4] s. of Abraham[3] (8) and Temperence (Fuller) Blish, was born 20 Oct. 1737, at W. Barnstable. It would appear from the following account, that he was never married.

Joseph Blish, Jr. was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Abraham Blish, late of Barnstable, Mariner, Mar. 9, 1768.

Inventory of the Estate of Abraham Blish, late of Barnstable, Mariner, deceased, taken by the subscribers, this 16th day of March 1768.

his interest with his brother Elijah Blish in the house, barn and pew in the meeting-house.....	£25	0	0
About ten acres of upland	73	10	0
Sundry pieces of woodland	10	8	0
Undivided with Elijah Blish			
About nine acres of salt and fresh meadow, undivided with Elijah Blish	48	0	0
	£156	18	0

Isaac Hinckley,
John Ewer,
Daniel Crocker.

A portion of the lands were sold to pay debts, and the remainder divided between Elijah & Benjamin Blish, brothers and Martha and Temperence, "sisters of said Abraham Blish, Mariner," Nov. 1769, from which it would appear that the others were not living at this time.

References—*Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn Tn. Rec.*

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28. ELIJAH[4] BLISH.

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(Abraham,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELIJAH,[4] s. of Abraham[3] (8) and Temperance (Fuller) Blish, was b. 5 Mar. 1738-9 at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 25 Jany. 1761, Sarah Stewart. The bans were published 26 July, 1760, and the ceremony was performed by Nymphas Marston, Esq[r].

CHILDREN.

105. DESIRE,[5] b. 28 Sept. 1761. She was m. to *William Lucas*, of Barnstable, 13 Nov. 1780, by Rev. Oakes Shaw.
106. ACHSAH,[5] b. 8 Aug. 1763.
107. ABRAHAM,[5] b. 22 Dec. 1765.
108. ZEPHENIAH,[5] b. 18 Aug. 1768.

Elijah Blish was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. His name appears on several muster and pay rolls.

"Elijah Blush, of Barnstable. Private, 6th. Co. Col. Gamaliel Bradford's Regt. Continental Army. Pay account service from Jany. 16, 1777, to Apr. 1. 1778." Also, "Capt, John Russell's Co., Col. Gamaliel Bradford's Regt. Mustered Feby. 25, 1777, by Jos. Otis, Muster Master; residence Barnstable."

Also on return of men in service on or before Aug. 15, 1777, dated 2 Apr. 1779. Enlisted Feby. 16th, 1777; joined Apr. 6th 1777; enlisted for three years, to expire January, 1780. Reported, died 28 Mch. 1778.

1778. Dec. 16. "Voted to remit to Nath. Jenkins, Constable for the year 1777. * * * Elijah Blish's Town and Province rates. £0 13 8."

1779. Mar. 23. "Voted to allow Dr. Samuel French's account for medicine and attendance on Mary Lovell and Sarah Blish."

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec. Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in the Revolution.*

36. JOHN[4] BLISH.

(Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN,[4] s. of Reuben[3] (9) and Eliabeth (Bodfish) Blish, was b. 9 Sept. 1717, at Barnstable, Mass. He m. 15 Nov. 1739, Mary, dtr. of Ebeneer Goodspeed, Jr. and .....

CHILDREN, born in Barnstable,

110.+JOHN,[5] b. 14 Nov. 1745.
111. MARY,[5] b. 27 Feby. 1748.
112.+STACY,[5] b. 26 Mar. 1751.
113. SARAH,[5] b. 15 Feby. 1753. m. to *Prince Baxter,* of Yarmouth, 3 Dec. 1778, by Rev. Oakes Shaw.
114. REBECCAH,[5] b. 14 Oct. 1756. m. to *Judah Bearse,* 3 Apr. 1777, by Rev. Oakes Shaw.

John Blish was an active and public spirited man, and a patriot who had the courage born of convictions, all of which is shown by the record of his public acts.

He was petit juryman in 1744, 1748, 1752, 1765, 1774, and 1778.

He was grand juryman for Barnstable, in 1755, 1762, 1767, 1769, 1770, and 1779.

He held the office of hogreve in 1745, 1749, 1773, 1774 and 1780.

He was chosen fence viewer in 1756, 1760, and 1766.

He was Constable in 1757, 1760 "in place of James Passiful, (Percival?) resigned," and in 1776.

He was tithing man in 1770, 1775, and 1781.

Was deer-reve in 1776.

Was surveyor of highways in 1771, 1776, and 1777.

1754. Dec. 17. "Remaining or stray with John Blish, crop & slit in ye left and 2 half-penneys under sid of ye right ear."

1761. Mar. 2. "Voted to allow Constable John Blish and Joseph Hallett each £5, for collecting the taxes agreeable to former conditions with respect to constables.

1764. Oct. 18. "Voted to remit to Jo^n Lovell's his pole tax, in John Blish's bills in the year 1763."

1765. Mch. ye 7th. "Voted to remit Elizabeth Smith's rate in John Blish's bills."

1766. Oct. 20. "Voted to accept and allow Coll. Otis account for £120 for building the great bridge and that he be discharged from said sum which he has already received from Constables John Blish and Ebenezer Hinckley, in full as per his account on file."

1767. Mch. 11. "Voted that John Blish be allwed to draw out of the Treasury 20 shillings, in full for one years house rent for the French people to this day."

1770. Jany. 8. "John Blish mark for his creatures, slit on the top of each ear, and he saith it has been his mark for 30 years.

1778. Mar.24. To take care of the common fields, John Lewis and John Blish.

1780. July 31. Town Meeting, held for the purpose of raising this Town's quota of three months men, agreeable to the warrant on file. * * * Meeting adjourned to meet at the house of Mr. Chipman, Inholder in said Barnstable, 3rd day of August at 12 o'clock noon. John Blish on committee to notify the inhabitants to meet.

1782. Remitted to John Blish rates for 1782. £0-3-8.

John Blish Sr. was a Sergeant in Capt. Micah Hamlin's Co. in the Revolutionary War. He enlisted 17 July, 1775. Roll is made up to Nov. 1775.

John Blish, Sergt. in Capt. Micah Hamlin's Co. Pay roll for service from Nov. 1st. 1775 to Dec. 31, 61 days. (Evidently the same person.)

June 25th, 1776, a meeting was called in Barnstable to consider whether the Town would instruct its representatives to pledge their lives and fortunes in support of the Continental Congress. About one hundred and forty were present. The times were troublous and a strong Tory element made itself felt. Upon a vote being taken 30 voted to sustain Congress and 35 voted against it. The remainder present, either from fear or indecision, did not vote at all, and the vote was declared as against the instruction. This occasioned much bitter feeling, and drew forth the following PROTEST, which, as it preceded the authentic Declaration might be called

THE BARNSTABLE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

WE, the subscribers, inhabitants of the Town of Barnstable PROTEST against the proceedings of said Town, at their meeting held on

Tuesday, 25th. June, inst., respecting the giving of their representatives instructions with regard to the INDEPENDENCY of the Colonies, as was recommended to the several towns in this Colony by way of a Resolve from the House of Representatives; And as a vote was put in said meeting to know whether the Town would proceed to give any instructions to their representatives, agreeably to the aforesaid recommendations, *which was carried in the negative;* And judging it to be our duty to protest against such vote, we do it for the following reasons:—We think such a measure as proposed in said resolve to be the most salutary that can be gone into for the safety and well being of the Colonies under our oppressed situation; and it is the duty of every individual to give his voice in favor of the aforesaid recommendation, in case the honorable Cont. Congress see cause to declare these Colonies entirely independent. WE are ready and willing to stand by such a declaration, if it shall take place, to the uttermost of our power, with our lives and estates; And being very unwilling that the aforesaid Vote be passed over in silence for fear of offending our own consciences in being thought to acquiesce in so strange a vote of the town, and of offending our Countrymen and Bretheren in other towns, who may go into contrary measures; entirely abhorring any principles but what are for the good of the United Colonies of America, and detesting those arguments brought by some men at said meeting to dissuade the people from complying with the said recommendation; We take this method of letting the public know our dissent from the aforesaid proceedings of the town, having no other way to make our sentiments known. And we request that this Protest may be entered in the Town Book, to let posterity know that there were a few in this Town who dared to stand forth in favor of an injured and oppressed Country, treated with every species of wickedness used by tyrrany to enslave mankind, and that it is a matter of great grief to us that the CAUSE OF LIBERTY is treated with such indignity by some of the inhabitants of the Town of Barnstable.

Barnstable, June 26.1776.

Joseph Otis,	*Zacheus Howland,*	*Freeman Parker,*
David Smith.	*Nathaniel Howland,*	*Jonathan Hallett,*
Benoni Crocker,	*John Russell,*	*Thomas Annable,*
Joseph Jenkins.	*John Crocker Jr.*	*Job Howland.*
Ebenezer Lothrop,	*Cornelius Lovell,*	*John Blish,*
Charles Conant,	*Benjamin Smith,*	*Joseph Smith,*
Nathan Bassett.	*James Davis,*	*Binney Parker,*
Seth Lathrop,	*Edmund Hawes,*	

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Otis' Barn. Families, Freman's Cape Cod, Mass. Sold. & Sailors in the Rev.*

37. SILAS[4] BLISH.

(Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SILAS,[4] s. of Reuben[3] (9) and Elizabeth (Bodfish) Blish, was b. 8 Apr. 1719, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. Mercy Tobey. The bans were published 14 Aug. 1747.

CHILDREN, born at West Barnstable.

122. REBEKAH,[5] b. 4. Jany. 1748. Bap. Jany. 25.
123. ABIGAIL,[5] b. 30 Apr. 1751. Bap. June 2. m. to *John Phinney*, by Rev. Oakes Shaw, 18 Sept. 1773.
124. MERCY,[5] b. 17 Aug. 1753. Bap. Sep. 30. probably died young.
125+SILAS,[5] b. 25 July 1756. Bap Aug. 1.
126.+ELISHA,[5] b. 3 Dec. 1758. Bap. 15 Jany. 1759.
127. MERCY,[5] (2nd) b. 14 Mar. 1762. Bap. 18 Apr. m. to *Caleb Perry*, 3 June 1790, by Rev. Oakes Shaw.

It appears from some of the records, that Silas Blish lived for a time at Falmouth, though he died in Barnstable.

He was petit juror in 1765 & 1771, and grand juror in 1769. Was "sealer of leather" in 1770, 1771, & 1772.

1766. Was one of the wardens.
1769. Mar. 17. "Voted to remit to Silas Blish, Constable for the year 1767, Nathan Bodfish, son of Solomon, his pole tax."

It would appear from the following extract from the Church records, that Silas strayed from the fold for a time.

"To Bro. John Enor and Silas Blish and likewise Mary Lovell:—

Whereas you have for several months past, in a disorderly and irregular manner, withdrawn yourselves from ye communion of this Chh and joined with those who are led under the domination of their scandalous immortality, and much pains has been taken with you to bring you to a sense of your error, yet all to no purpose; now we apprehend ourselves bound, under faithfulness to Christ, our Master, and to your souls, to signify to you that we look upon you to have violated your solemn covenant, bonds and engagem^ts and to have gone contrary to that gospel rule I Cor. V-II: We do therefore in ye name of Christ admonish you to repent of your sin and error and to return to your duty, and we pray God

to give you a sight of sense of your sin and repentance for it; and till such time as you manifest tokens of repentance, you are to look upon yourself as suspended from communion with us in special ordinances.

Nov. 15, 1750. *Jonathan Russell*, Pastor.
W^th ye vote and consent of ye Chh."

Silas Blish died in 1772. Administration was granted to Mercy Blish on the estate of Silas Blish, Cordwainer, 31 Dec. 1772.

INVENTORY—Estate of Silas Blish, of Barnstable, Cordwainer, taken 19 Feby. 1773.

His purse £5. 19^s. 4^d. Security for money due him £15. 13. 0.	£21—12—4
His wearing apparel 6—0—0 Cattle, sheep & swine, 24. 16. 0	30—16—0
Cart & wheels, sled & Cheep & pins 80/ one axe 4/	4— 4—0
One bed,bedstead & furniture, lower room	8— 0—0
One bed, bedstead & furniture in the chamber	5— 6—8
Rakes, shovels, sive, cradle 6/ looms & tackling 26/8	1—12—8
Five chairs in the chamber 17/4 three chests 11/ two looking glasses 4/8	1—13—0
Two Sythes 6/ Shoemaker seat, lasts & tools 24/	1—10—0
One case of Draws 48/ one desk 36/	4— 4—0
One round table 10/ Small D^o 3/ case & bottles 6/ ½ Doz. D^o 2/	1— 1—0
One square table 10/ 4 knives & forks 3/ Iron Crow 6/, Yoakes & chains 6/	1— 5—4
Gun & Sword 20/ Geers, collar & hames 8/ Cart rope 2/ hose 2/	1—12—0
Saddle, bridle & pillion 4/ Trundelbedstead 5/4	0— 9—4
Sheets, tablecloths and napkins	2—13—4
Twelve chairs in the lower room 15/ Scales & weights 5/	1— 0—0
Joynt stool 1/ Box iron heaters & grate 4/ flatirons 3/	0— 8—0
Pots, Kettles & trammels 54/ p^r steelyards 3/	2—17—0
Casks & half bushel 2/ Warming pan 6/8	0— 8—8
Crane, tongs, & slice, hand irons	0—10—8
Pewter, earthen and wooden ware	2— 0—0
Bible and other books	0— 6—0
Sugar boxes, Castor, table glass & stone ware	0— 8—0
Housing, land, meadow & woodland	156—13—4
	£250—11—04

Barnstable Feb. 19. 1773.
Approved March 6, 1773.

Dower was assigned to the wiow Mercy Blish, Dec 14, 1773.

Account of Mercy Blish, Adm^r.

Received	£98-9-2
Due Administrator	62-0-0
	£160-9-2
Paid out	160-9-2

Signed, her *Mercy* X *Blish.* mark

Approved Apr. 8, 1773.

1770. Apr. 8. "Mercy Blish dismissed from Falmouth and admitted here."

1778. Mar. 24. "Voted to remit to Thomas Crocker, Constable for the year 1775, Widow Mercy Blish, a son overrated £0-6-8."

1783. Oct. 16. "Voted to allow Mrs. Mercy Blish's account for nursing wid^o Swinington and providing for her children 5 weeks, as on file, £2-10-0."

1786. Mar. 9. "Voted to allow w^d Mercy Blish 5/4 for sundries supplyed wid^o Swinington when sick, as per account on file."

References—*Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Tn. Rec., W. Barn. Ch. Rec., Otis' Barn. Families.*

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38. REUBEN[4] BLISH, Jr.

(Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

REUBEN[4] s. of Reuben[3] (9) and Elizabeth (Bodfish) Blish, was b. 6 Feby. 1721, at West Barnstable, Mass. The bans for his marriage were published 13 Apr. and he m. 21 May 1747, Ruth Childs, of Barnstable.

CHILDREN.

128. REUBEN,[5] b. 21 Oct. 1747. He would be a minor at the time of his father's death, but is not mentioned, and probably died young.

129. DAVID,[5] b. 11 May 1749. d. before 10 Nov. 1772.
130.+THOMAS,[5] b. 21 July 1751.
131. ELIZABETH,[5] b. 19 Oct. 1755. m. *Richard Creech.*
132. SUSANNA,[5] b. before 7 Oct. 1760. Was m. to *Isaac Crowell,* of Yarmouth, 27 Nov. 1784, by Rev. Gideon Hawley.

1747. Mar. 10. "Rueben Blish his mark is a slit in each ear and a half penny under ye left ear."

1750. Reuben Blish was chosen hog reve, and again in 1757 and 1758.

1760. Mar. 5 "Voted to remit to Constable Ebenezer Crocker the sum of £1-5-8, being Reuben Blish's Province, County and Town rate."

Reuben[4] Blish d. about Oct. 1, 1760, at W. Barnstable, and John Blish was appointed administrator of his estate 7 Oct. 1760.

INVENTORY & Appraisement of Estate of Reuben Blish, Yeoman decd.

His Apparrel and Armour	£ 4— 2—0
House, land, woodlot and meadow	200—16—0
2 cows, 8 sheep, 3 swine, 1 horse & tackling	17— 8—4
Husbandry Tackling, £4—11—5, 15 bushels of corn £2—5	6—16—5
1 Bed & furniture £4, One ditto £3—14—8	7—14—8
chists, £2, one bedstid & Cord 8/ books 4/	2—12—0
Linning £2—9, Two Tables & tablecloth 9/	2—18—0
Nine chairs 18/ looking glass 6/ Iron ware £1—10	2—14—0
Warming pan, box, iron trammels, slice & tongs	1—09—0
Puter, wooden ware, earthen ware, ...	1—06—0
Wheels, Real, meal bags, troff & sives	0—12—6
Teapot & dishes 5/ 6 load of hay £4	4— 5—0
Looms & tackling	2— 5—2
	£254—19—01

Barnstable Nov. 6" 1760.

Joseph Blish.
Ebenezer Hamblen.
Samuel Parker.

Sworn to and approved, Dec. 4th 1760.
Sylvanus Bourn, Judge.

David, Elizabeth, Thomas and Susanna were all baptized, 7 Aug. 1763.

"Widow Ruth Blish united with the church 7 July 1763."

Ruth Blish was appointed Guardian of David, Thomas, Elizabeth and Susanna, minor children of Reuben Blish, of Barnstable, Yeoman, deceased, 7 Oct. 1760, but died about 15 Feby. 1764, when John Blish was appointed in her stead.

Later, 24 Mar. 1773, Joseph Blish Jr. was made Guardian of Susanna, the others presumably being of age.

Another Inventory was made in 1772, as follows:-

Inventory of the real estate of Reuben Blish, late of Barnstable, deceased, taken by us, the subscribers this 2d day of November, 1772.

The house and the upper land	£46-0-0
The point field and marsh	60-0-0
The woodlot	16-12-0
, ...	£122-12-0

Jonathan Crocker.
Joseph Blish, Jr.
Daniel Carpenter.

The court ordered all the above described lands to be set off to Thomas Blish, only surviving son of Reuben Blish, deceased, upon the following terms:

First: he is to pay all costs and charges amounting to £2-12s-0 then to pay his sister Susannah Blish, a minor, £40, he also having paid his other sister Elizabeth Creech, the sum of £40, for her full share and proportion.

Nov. 10" 1772.

James Otis, Judge.

Joseph Childs was appointed Admr. of the Estate of Ruth Blish, widow, Mar. 16," 1764.

He reports Mar. 11, 1773.

Receipts	£21-5-9
Paid out	21-5-9

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Barn. Prob. Rec.*

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42. BENJAMIN[4] BLISH.

(Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BENJAMIN,[4] s. of Tristram[3] and Anne (Fuller) Blish, was b. 16 June, 1718, at West Barnstable, Mass; m. 3 May, 1744, at Colchester, Conn., to Mary, dtr. of John and Ruth (Loomis) Adams; she was b. 9 July 1726 at Colchester, Conn.

133. JEREMIAH,[5] b. 12 Aug. 1745.
134. DANIEL,[5] b. 17 Dec. 1747. d. 21 July 1752.
135. RACHEL,[5] b. 12 Mar. 1749. d. 27 July 1752.
136. ANNAH,[5] b. 30 Aug. 1751. d. Oct. 1752.
137.+BENJAMIN,[5] b. 11 Feby. 1753.

The fearful mortality in this family, in 1752, would indicate some deadly epidemic. It is current tradition in Colchester, that there was a "plague," whatever that may mean, that year.

2 Mar. 1746. "Benjn Blush and Mary, his wife, were received in the covenant."

Benjamin Blish d. 21 Aug. 1752, at the age of 34, and Mary Blish and Joseph Kneland were appointed administrators of his estate in Jany. 1753.

Mary Blish was appointed guardian of Jeremiah and Benjamin Blish, minors, Jany. 1754.

INVENTORY of the Estate of Benjamin Blish. "We the subscribers, being desired to apprise ye Estate of Benjamin Blish late of Colchester, Deceased, did on the 22nd day of Septem^r (old stile) A. D., 1752, apprised all the s^d Estate presented to us, being under oath as ye law directs.

IMP.^s paper bills £1—2 Coat & Comblet, Jackit, both £24.	£25— 2—00
old great coat 30/ old blue coat 10/ leather briches 40/	4—00—00
old briches & trouzes 16/ 2 old shirts 16/ 1 shirt 16/	2—08—00
shoe buckles, knee buckles & sleve buttons	1— 2—00
a silver buckle 25/ 2 bands 12/ hat & mittens, all 70/	5— 7—00
1 felt hat 15/ 2 p^r old shoes 30/ 4 p^r old stockins 50/	4—15—00
1 cap 10/ p^r of garters 3/ 2 p^s worsted cloth 40/	2—13—00
high bed & sted cord, curtain & valents, 2 coverlids, 2 sheets all as it stands	40—00—00
trundle bed, cord & sted, coverlid, mat, bolster and all to it	15—00—00
a bed, old coverlid & sheet all as it now is	10—00—00
old chest 10/ chest 30/ meal trough 10/	2—10—00
chest of drawers £5, table 15/ 6 sheets old & new £8	13—15—00
2 pillow cases 10/ 2 old table cloaths 10/ 5 old towells 14/	1—14—00
2 yd^s drugget 30/ 2 old pilliws 12/ corn baskit 8/	2—10—00
2 powderhorns, powder & shot all 14/ old gun £5.	5—14—00
2 old sickles 5/, old brass kettle £5, 2 Iron pots £2	7— 5—00
Iron kettle & skillet 40/ frying pan & smoothing iron 23/	3— 3—00
p^r old spurs 4/ trammel, tongs & Reel, all £2—10	2—14—00
14½ lb. sheeps wool £6—10, 2 little baskets 5/	6—15—00
syth & tackling 50/ grinding stone 20/	3—10—00
5lb. worsted £3—10. 2 harriers axes £2—10	6—00—00
33^lb carpetwool & pinions 40/ old Dutch wheel 40/	4—00—00
Great wheel 20/ old Drisacks in ye chamber, trough & riddle 40/	3—00—00

old iron, all 15/ 3pr cards 35/ stilyards, chopping knife, pot fork 25/	3—15—00
Razor flegms & ink horn 15/ sugar box 1/6 qt cup 9/6	1—06—00
2 old sives 10/ 24 run of linen & tow yarn £5	5—10—00
7 chares 40/ 2 Tables 30/ other books, all 15/	4— 5—00
hour glass & candlestick 14/ looking glass 20/	1—14—00
long Baskit 4/ meat barrel, 7 old tubs & barrel, all £2—13	2—17—00
3 great puter platters £5—5, 6 plates at £2—10	7—15—00
Puter Bason 15/ pint bason & porringer 8/	1— 3—00
bigest puter Bason 18/ Do spoons 12/	1—10—00
all ye earthen ware £2—10, 3 glass bottles & tin funnel 16/	3— 6—00
6 vials 7/ 6 wooden Bottles, can, tray and dish 16/	1— 3— 6
mortar, sugar box & all 7/ 7 old trenchers 7/	0—14—00
7 old knives, 3 old forks, all 10/ 1 Hammar 5/	0—15—00
Shoe makers tools, jacks, awls and all 50/ 30 old lasts 30/	4—00—00
ye Bench & 4pr heels, all 9/ old iron 7/ wax & tar at 4 pn	1—00—00
5 cow bells & tacklin, all	3—10—00
8 load of hay £40, 1 mare £80,	120—00—00
16 sheep £20, a yoke of oxen £70, 3 cows £60	150—00—00
Saddle & Bridle & whip £10, old plow irons £2—16	12—16—00
Horse traces £2—10, yoke irons & boos £2	4—10—00
2 Swine £15, a shave 10/ pillow Cloath & pillow £3	18—10—00
a Fork & 2 Rakes 14/ 3 old Baggs 15/	1— 9—00
3 acres of Indian corn, on ye land as it stands at 15 bushels an acre, all 45 bushels @ 15/ pr bushel	33—15—00
a stack of wheat & 11 bushels	20—00—00
a stack of oats @ £10, a stack of £28	38—00—00
ye Farm & appurtenances @	1000—00—00
7½ yds plain Cloath £16—17—6	16—17— 6
½ Hetchel & burning iron	0—11— 0
5 Swine £3—10 2 Skins 40/ oak boards £8	13—10—00
	£1646— 0—00
Old plow on the place	1— 1—00
Added by ye Administrator	1— 1—00
	£1648—11—00

Court of Probate: ss, Colchester Jany 2 1753.

This Inventory was exhibited by ye Admr under oath as ye law directs.

Samuel Brown.
David Adams.

Test. Thomas Adams, Clerke.

It would appear from the foregoing inventory that Benjamin Blish was a shoe maker by trade.

"At the Court of Probate held in Colchester, Jany. 3d, A. D. 1754, Present: Joseph Spencer, Esqr Judge.

Appeared Mary Blish & Joseph Kneland, Admrs of the Estate of Benjn Blish, Decd. & Exhibd acct of the debts due from sd Decds

estate and pay^d by them amounting to the sum of £205- 16-11, old Ten^r wch was allowed."

References—*Colch. Tn. Rec., Colch. Prob. Rec., and Westchester Ch. Rec.*

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44. SYLVANUS[4] BLISH.

(Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SYLVANUS[4] s. of Tristram[3] (14) and Anne (Fuller) Blish, was b. 13 Oct. 1721 at Barnstable, Mass. He m. 1 Nov. 1751, Esther Way.

CHILDREN, born at Colchester, Conn.

138. RACHEL[5], b. 22 Nov. 1752. Bap. June, 1752. m. .....
Smith.
139. ESTHER[5], b. 22 Jany. 1755. Bap. Oct. 1755. m. .....
Fuller.
140. DANIEL[5],* b. 17 Dec. 1757. Bap. May 1757.
141.+EZRA[5], b. 16 Apr. 1759. Bap. May 1759.
142. ASA,[5]** b. 9 July 1761. Bap. Aug. 1761.
143. REUBEN,[5] b. 1 Oct. 1763 Bap. ....., 1763.
144.+SILAS,[5] b. ....., 1765, Bap. May, 1765.
145. MARY,[5] b. ..... bap. Feb. 1767.
146+ABRAHAM[5], b. ..... 1769. Bap. .....1769.
147. EDITHA,[5] b. ..... Bap. Mar. 1773. m. .....
Harrington.
148. GRACE,[5] b. ..... Bap. Oct. 1775, m. .....
Corning.

1745. Sept.8. Sylvanus Blush made a confession before the Church for defaming Sybell Carrier, by spreading a discreditable report concerning her and was restored to full communion.

Sylvanus Blish was surveyor of highways in 1759, 1765, 1772, 1774, and 1777.

Was admitted as a freeman in 1761, Sept. 15.

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*Daniel Blish enlisted from Colchester, 23 July 1777, for three years, in Capt. Gamaliel Painter's Company, war of the Revolution.

**Asa Blish enlisted in Col. S. B. Webb's Regt. 23 July, 1780, and was discharged 17 Dec. 1780.

1762. Dec. 14. "Voted that Sylvanus Blish shall have out of the Town money 15 shillings for plank he found for a bridge at Malbury." (Marlborough.)

1774 and 1776 he was one of the "sealers of leather."

1774. Dec. 28. "Voted that the Town approve the doings of the Continental Congress at Philadelphia on the 5th. of Sept. last, and to adopt the plan of Association and correspondence therein recommended." A committee of inspection was appointed, agreeable to the eleventh Article of s^d^ Association. John Watrous and Peter Bulkley, Esqrs., Silvanus Blish and twelve others were appointed. "Voted that there be a second collection in this Town for the relief of our oppressed Bretheren the Inhabitants of Boston."

1777. Sept. 16. In open Freeman's Meeting, many persons took the oath of fidelity to the State of Connecticut and the freeman's oath, as enacted by the General Assembly of said State held the second Thursday in May, 1777." Silvanus Blish's name appears in the list.

Silvanus and Esther Blish are frequently mentioned in the Marlboro' church records. He and his brother David (49) seem to have been chasing each other down the pages of the baptismal register from 1752 to 1775, twenty children having been baptized in that time.

Sylvanus Blish d. 11 Oct. 1785, and his son Ezra was appointed Administrators of his estate.

An INVENTORY of the real and personal estate of Silvanus Blish, late of Colchester, deceased; apprized by us the subscribers, sworn as the law directs November the ninth day 1785.

a blue plain Cloth Coat 8/ westcoat 3/ Cordroy Britches 11/	£ 1— 2— 0
a brown coat 7/ westcoat 3/ blue great coat 6/	£ 0—16— 0
old striped linen coat, westcoat & trouzers 8/ Castor hat 3/	0—11— 0
old Bever Hat 2/ blue stockings 3/ 2 p^r^ old stockings 1/ lin^n^ d^o^ 2/	0— 8— 0
P^r^ shoes 4/ Silver Buckles 8/ Pr Silver Buttons 1/6	0—13— 6
P^r^ old Britches 8^d^ 2 woolen Shirts 4/ old linen d^o^ 6^d^	0— 5— 2
Pockethandkerchief /6^d^ old Boots & Straps 3/ old Bible 6/ sm^l^ d^o^ 8^d^	0—10— 2
old pamphlets 1/ Small Account Book 2/ Raizor /4^d^	0— 3— 4
Bed, underbed, bolster, 2 pillows, 2 pare of sheets, bedstead, & cord, all wool black & blue & white coverlid, brown & blue d^o^ black & white checked blanket,	

head sheet, vallance & Tester & mat, all in ye room, all	4—15— 0
Bed, underbed, bolster, 2 blankets, cord, mat head sheet vallance	2— 0— 0
2 old linen sheets 2/ 2 diaper Table Cloths 3/ 2 pillow cases 2/	0— 7— 0
1 Huckebuck Towel 1/6, four old Towels 1/6 old Table cloth 1/	0— 4—00
Old Chest, 2 Draws 6/ Table 1/ Handsaw 2/ 5 old Skillets 1/	0—10— 0
Hamer & Gimblet 1/ Teapot 3/ Quart Cup 2/6	0— 6— 6
Old Iron 5/, 18 pounds pewter 22/6, Tin tunnel /6d, 4 punch bottles 1/4	1— 9— 4
Square Bottle & round snuff d° 1/2,d Looking Glass 2/	0— 3— 2
A set of Tea Dishes 2/ Punch Bowl & Beker Glass 1/3 3 milk pans 3/	0— 6— 3
Six Bowls & Dishes 2/10d, Spice Mortar 8d 6 wooden Plates /6d, Churn 3/	0— 7— 0
Gallon Bottle & Quart d° 2/ 2 Pails 2/ Hand Pails /6d Dietub 1/ Buttr Tub 1/6	0— 7— 0
3 Tuhs 4/. 15 old bbls—15/ 2 Meet bbls 4/ Pickle Tub 1/	1— 4— 0
Vinegar Kegg 1/ 5 old hhds 15/ Sundry hollow Tubs & ½ hhds 2/3	0—18— 3
Bread Trough 3/ Trundle bedstead 5/ Salt Box /3d corn Basket 1/3, ½ Bushl 1/	0—10—6
Riddle sieve 1/3 4 old sacking Bags 2/, Sheepskin /8d old Saddle 2/	0—5—11
Iron & Leather of old side Saddle 5/ old pillion & cloth 2/6 Saddle bags 6/	0—13— 6
Bridle 4/ Iron Trammel 4/ 4 old Scythes 2/ old Plow irons 5/ 4 old chizels 1/	0—16— 0
2 Iron Wedges 2/ Ox yokes 1/ Crobar 10/ 3 old chairs 12/	1— 5— 0
Horse chains 3/ 3 caps & pins 3/ 9 Iron harrow teeth 19/ 2 old Axes 2/	1— 7— 0
Brass Kittle 16/ Iron d° 5/ Iron d° cracked 1/6 Skillet 1/6	1— 4— 0
Iron tea Kittle 4/6, d° Basin 2/ Steelyards 4/ Frying pan /6d	0—11— 0
Broken Iron Pot 2/ Slice & Tongs 5/2 Candlestick /6 Gridiron 3/	0—10— 6
Horse Coler 2/ Great wheel & Spindle 3/ Great wheel 1/ Foot d° 4/	0—10— 0
14 Runs woolen yarn 14/ 3¾ wool 5/	0—19— 0
Nine knives & forks 3/ Cheese strainer /6d Stone jug 2/ Brass Scimer 1/	0— 6— 6
Sheers 1/ Sheep Shears 1/ Spectacles 1/ Cannister /6d Grater 4d	0— 4— 0
Old Mare £7. Sucking Colt £2—10 Young Mare £6—10	16— 0— 0
Two two year old steers £8—10 Black cow £3 whitefaced cow £3, Heifer calf 18/	15— 8— 0
2 Shotes 13/4, 3 small swine fatting £2—15	3— 8— 4
9 old chairs 10/ 4 bushels Potaties 6/ Grindstone 4/	1— 0— 0

6 bush^{es} Turnips 4/ One bush^{l} & ¼ white beans 5/	0— 9— 0
	£62—15— 1
7lb Tallow 3/6 9 tuns Hay £11, Cheese 33lb 8/4	11—11—10
Two-thirds of 120 acres land, house & barn £240, Corn in ye ear 4/	240— 4— 0
Two ½ bbl^{s} Cider 12/ 2old bbl^{s} at McCalls 2/	0—14— 0
3 Shilling State money equal to 1/9 Silver	0— 1— 9
2 Soldier notes, £6—18—10 each, equal to £5—8 Silver ...	5— 8— 0
2 Old Hoes /4^{d} 3 pitchforks 3/ Old Cart irons on ye cart 50/	2—13— 4
	£323— 8— 0

Court of Probate, East Haddam, Nov 21st 1785, then this inventory was exhibited in Court by ye Adm^{r} under oath and is accepted and ordered to be recorded.

David Bigelow,
David Blish.
Appraisers Sworn.

1786. Feb. 7. £14—19—11 set off to Widow of Sylvanus Blisn out of the "moveable estate of said deceased."

1785. Dec. 6 Mary Blish a minor and Abraham Blish, a minor appeared and chose Mr. Daniel Judd to be their guardian; all of Colchester.

At s^{d} court Mr. David Blish was appointed guardian to to Silas Blish, Editha Blish and Grace Blish, all of Colchester.

At s^{d} court Ezra Blish, Adm^{r} on ye estate of Silvanus Blish, Dec^{d} late of Colchester, appeared and prayed that some proper persons may be appointed to assist the guardians of the minors of s^{d} dec^{d} in dividing a certain tract of land lying in common between Asa Blish and the rest of the heirs to s^{d} Dec^{d}; thereupon this Court appointed Mr. Jabez Wheldon and David Bigelow, Ju^{r}, both of Glastonbury, to assist ye Guardians with ye estate of ye heirs in dividing s^{d} estate according to law.

At s^{d} Court Ezra Blish, Adm^{r} on ye estate of Silvanus Blish dec^{d} * * * prayed this court limit and appoint a time for ye creditors to s^{d} estate to bring in their acc^{ts} or demands against s^{d} estate; thereupon the court allows eight months from this date. * * * and those who refuse or neglect to exhibit them by said time are afterwards debarred collecting the same by law; and that said Adm^{r} give notice by advertising in Hartford or New London newspaper, and setting up ye same on ye sign post in s^{d} Colchester.

1804, July 23.

Upon motion of Abraham Blish one of the heirs to the Estate of Silvanus Blish, dec^{d} s^{d} court appointed Messrs. Israel Foot Esq. Elisha Buel & Samuel Brown to distribute that part of the Estate which was distributed to the widow of s^{d} dec^{d} for her improvement during life.

1804, Sept. 11.

The commissioners reported the dividing that part of the Estate "that did belong to Silvanus Blish * * * that was set out to his honored wife Esther Blish."

Lands set out to Ezra Blish, oldest son	$31	34
" Abraham Blish, son	30	67
" Polly Blish, daughter	30	67
" Rachel Smith, daughter	30	67
" Esther Fuller, daughter	30	67
" Reuben Blish, son	30	67
" Silas Blish, son	30	67
" Editha Harrington, daughter	30	67
" Grace Corning, daughter	30	67

Dated Aug. 22, 1804.

References—*Colch. Tn. Rec., Colch. Prob. Rec., Marlboro Ch. Rec., Westchester Ch. Rec.*

MARLBOROUGH.

The Town of Marlborough was organized in 1803, from parts of Colchester, Hebron, and Glastonbury, three Towns which belonged to three different Counties. The Marlboro' Church records, however, antedate the Town organization.

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46. JOHN[4] BLISH.

(Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1]

JOHN,[4] s. of Tristram[3] (14) and Anne (Fuller) Blish, was b. ..... 1727, at Colchester, Conn. He m. (1) Abigail ....., 1754.

CHILDREN.

149...SUSANNA,[5] b. 2 Mar. 1755.
150.+REUBEN,[5] b. 16 Jany. 1757.
151. ABIGAIL,[5] b. ..... m. *Asa Fuller*, 22 Sept. 1777
152. FREDERICK,[5] b. .....
153. DANIEL,[5] b. .....
154. JOHN,[5] (?) b. about 1762. d. 8 Oct. 1786, age 24.
155. JOSEPH,[5] (?) b. about 1766, d. 30 Oct. 1791, age 25.
156.+LOIS,[5] b. ..... m. *Joseph Isham*, 28 Sept. 1790.
157. EUNICE,[5] b. ..... m. *Uriah Carrier.*

Abigail, w. of John[4] Blish d. 30 June 1777, and he m. (2) according to the Church records, 30 Nov. 1777, widow *Ann Loomis*, of Colchester.

The Gardner Genealogy states that John[4] Blish m. 31 Aug. 1784, Sarah dtr. of William and Esther (Denison) Gardner, of Stonington, Conn. She was b. 28 Dec. 1763.

CHILD, of this marriage.
158.+JOHN DENISON,[5] b. ..... Feby. 1786, at Colchester, Conn.

1756. Sept. 21. John Blish was admitted as a freeman.

1755. Mar. 2. John Blush and Abigail, his wife, confessed to the breach of several covenants and that they were guilty of fornication, and were restored to their former charity. Mar. John Blush and Abigail his wife were received in the covenant.

(It may be asked how a man and his wife could be guilty of the offense named. Whenever a couple anticipated their marital privileges, they were compelled to confess their fault before the congregration and judging by the frequency of these confessions and the ease with which they were "restored to the former charity," the offense does not seem to have been regarded as very serious. The publication of bans months before marriage was largely the cause of this infraction of the commandments.)

1759 and 1765. John Blish was tithingman for Westchester.

1777. He was surveyor of highways, and again in 1780.

1777. Sept. 16. Took the oath of fidelity to the State of Connecticut.

1779. Dec. 13. "Voted to appoint a committee to remove encroachments on highways; John Blish was one."

1780. Nov. 14. "Voted to appoint a committee to procure provisions for the Continental Army. Capt. Eliphalet Bulkley, Messrs. John Blish, Henry Deaning, and John Henry chosen such committee. Capt. Joseph Isham was appointed to receive and pack said provisions, forward the same and make return."

1780. Dec. 18. "Voted that every person that shall deliver indian corn at 4^{s} p^{r} bushel, Rie flower at 16^{s} p^{r} C weight, wheat flower at 24^{s} p^{r} C weight, to ye amount of 1½^{d} on ye pound on their several lists for ye year 1780, shall be allowed for ye 1½ per cent paid in grain and flower, as afors^{d} 4^{d} on ye pound on ye tax this day laid on ye inhabitants of this town, for ye purpose of raising grain &c., s^{d} corn and flower to be delivered to Messrs Pierpont

Bacon, John Blish, Dudley Wright and Asa Foot, by ye first day of March next."

"Voted to choose Gad Worthington in ye room of John Blish, one of ye committee to receive in provisions for ye publick."

1801. Mar. 6. Reuben Blish took his deceased father's ear mark, which is a slit in the left ear and a half crop on the under side of the right ear.

John Blish died about 1800. His son Reuben was appointed administrator of his estate, 3 June, 1800. There is a discrepency as to his marriages. The Colchester deed records show that, "Anna Blish, of Colchester, w^d of John, leased her right of dower in the estate of her husband, John Blish, at a rental of $10 per annum to Reuben Blish, he to pay the taxes. Dated 1 Apr. 1801. This is inconsistent with his marriage to Sarah Gardner, who survived him. There is no doubt that John Denison[5] was the son of this John[4] Blish, as is shown by a deed from John D. Blish, of Hamilton, N. Y., to John Sparrow, for "land set off to me in the estate of John Blish, in Colchester, Conn."

The Westchester Church records show his marriage, 30 Nov. 1777, to Widow Ann Loomis, and the Gardner Genealogy is authority for his marriage with Sarah Gardner, and the undisputed birth of John Denison (158) confirms it, Denison being the maiden name of Sarah Gardner's mother. The relationship of all of the children to John[4] Blish is abundantly proven by reference to the deed records of Colchester.

1784. July 9. John Blish was admitted to full communion. This was probably John (154), who would be 24 years old.

INVENTORY of the Estate of Mr. John Blish, late of Colchester, dec^d.

1 Castor Hat 1 00 1 straight bodied coat 5 17, 1 d^o chec, 1d^o 1 vest nankeen, 1 d^o cloth 5 18	$11 35
1 d^o white, 1 p^r breeches 1 00, 1 great coat 7 51, 1 d^o vest, 1 p^r trousers 1 d^o 1 d^o 1 17	9 68
2 d^o 2 d^o 1 p^r stockings 3 p^r d^o 3 67 1 p^r d^o 1 p^r d^o 4 p^r 1 muslin Hdf 1d^o $4	7 67
1 d^o 1 p^r suspenders, 1 p^r shoe buckles 46, 1 p^r hose buckles 1 d^o stock buckles 1 p^r buttons shoes 1 27	1 73
Razor, lather box and hone, horse phlegm & curry comb 6 77 1 p^r shoes 2/ 1 p^r d^o 1 p^r boots, 1 vest 3 01	9 78
Feather bed and underbed, bedstead & cord & 1 featherbed 21 98 1 underbed, bedstead and cord, 1 d^o 9 67	31 65

1 Bedquilt, 1 d° 1 d° 3 worsted, 1 d° 2 Blankets 3 d° 10 26, 1 d° check, 1 pr curtains & Valens, 10 pr sheets 15 25	25	51
1 Table Cloth 4d Four Towels, 18¾ lb pewter, 1 dish 11 04 1 Clock, 1 Cupboard, 1 fall leaf Table, 1 chest, 1 stand 9 00	20	04
1 Case & 4 bottles, 2 junck d°, 1 Table, 1 Great chair 1 58 6 Chairs 4d, 1 Warming pan, 1 slice & tongs, 1 d° 5 09	6	67
1 pr Steelyards, 2 Candlesticks, 1 pr hand irons, 2 92 3 Candlesticks, 1 Trammel, 1 Brass Kettle, 1 Iron d° 4 17	7	09
138 lb poth, 1 dish, 1 Bake Kettle, 1 Iron bason 2 66 1 pr flat irons 1 toasting iron, 1 Choppin knife, case knives & forks 1 18	3	84
Tea Kettle, 1 Iron Skillet, 1 d°, 1 Grid Iron	2	66
1 Iron crossbar, 6 Table spoons, 1 crane, 1 Frying pan	3	08
2 Wash Tubs, 1 d.° 1 Milk Pale, 1 water d,° 1 churn 1 Earthen Pot	5	32
10 Earthen plates, 2 Tea pots, 3 two pint glasses, 2 d° foot 1 18 2 Earthen box 2 d° 1 d° mony, 1 set teacups & saucers 06c 10 tea spoons, 2 Bottles, 1 lock, 1 Walking staff 0 81.....	2	67
5 Cider barrels, ½ hogs,d 2 meat barrels, 1 d° soap 3 01, 1 Butter Tub, 1 Canikin, 1 note of hand against John Isham, 15 29 ..	18	30
1 Chest & 3 old sythes, 1 Syth & snath & tackling, 1 Gun barrel 2 09 7 dry casks 2 Behives	2	09
3 Rakes, 1 half bushel, 1 flax hetchel, 2 95, Meal bags, 1 Pair fetters. 1 Meal sieve, 1 Bread trough 1 69	4	64
3 Sickles, 1 Vinegar Barrel, 1 Salt Mortar, 1 moth tray, 1 stone jug, 1 Pudding pan, 1 Wooden bowl, 2 Milk pans, ...	1	53
1 Spice Mortar, 1 Man Saddle, 2 Bridles, 1 pr plow irons	5	76
1 Grubber, 1 Iron dog, 1 Iron wedge, 1 Iron shovel, 1 Ox chain ..	3	26
10 pr Pillow cases, 2 50, 2 broad hoes, 1 Axe, 1 d°, 1 Ox yoke & Iron Clevy & pin, 1 74	4	24
1 Pair horse-chains, 1 Bible & psalm book, 16 Sermons, 1 Pitchfork	1	92
1 Horse, 1 Cow, 70 50 Real Estate 600.	670	50
	$860	98

The within and above Inventory was made and completed by us, the subscribers this 2d day of June, 1800.

David Kilbourn Appraisers
Noah Pomeroy under oath.

References—*Colchester, Conn. Tn. Rec., Colchester Prob. Rec., Colchester Ch. Rec., Westchester Ch. Rec., Colchester Deed Rec., and Gardner Genealogy.*

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47. JOSEPH[4] BLISH.

(Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOSEPH,[4] s. of Tristram[3] (14) and Anne (Fuller) Blish, was b. 1 Dec. 1729, at Colchester, Conn. He m. 22 Mch. 1753,

Elizabeth, dtr. of Daniel and Elizabeth (Hitchcock) Skinner. She was b. 22 Mar. 1733, at Colchester, Conn.

CHILDREN.

159. LYDIA,[5] b. 28 Mar. 1754. m. 12 Aug. 1772, *Elihu Jones*, at Bolton, Conn.

160.+"BETSEY"[5] b. ..... 1756. m. *Barzillai Little* She was probably named Elizabeth after her mother, but seems to always have been called Betsey.

161. +JOSEPH,[5] b. 24 Jany. 1762.

162.+OLIVER,[5] b. 28 Mar. 1764.

163.+AMASA,[5] b. 29 July 1766.

164. LUCY,[5] b. ..... 1771. m. *John Smith*, in 1790 and d. 12 Dec. 1815, Aet. 44.

1761 Daniel Skinner of Colchester, Conn., deeded lands in Bolton, Conn., to Joseph Blish for £70. The deed concludes as follows:-"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 25th day of August, in the first year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third of Great Britian &c. King, anno domini 1761.

Daniel Skinner, SEAL."

Joseph[4] Blish took the oath of fidelity and was Town Collector in Bolton, Conn., in 1771.

He removed with his family, to Middlefield, Mass., about 1780, at which time he sold his lands in Bolton to Joshua Pearl, and was one of the early settlers of that place. The Town was not organized until 1783, when the first Town Meeting was held. Most of the settlers came from Cannecticut, from the Towns of Bolton, Hebron and Windsor.

In March, 1784, he was elected one of the two Wardens of the Town. Town Meeting was held at his house in 1785, there being no Town House.

1783. Apr. 24. He was chosen one of the school committee, with Benjamin Blush, Timothy Macklewain and John Jones and they established the first public school in the Town.

1783. Nov. 19. A highway was laid beginning between the lands of Benjamin Blish and Warren Mack, and touches the lands of Joseph Blish.

1783. Apr. 24. "It was voted to raise £30 to support the gospel. Elisha Mack, James Dixon and Joseph Blush were chosen as a committee to procure preaching." Voted that the committee be paid for their own and horse expenses." He was also put on a committee to find the center of the Town.

1784. July 20. "Voted to raise £30 to support preaching. Voted to hire Mr. Timothy Woodbridge to preach 20 Sabbaths on Probation. Joseph Blush, Daniel Chapman and Capt. David Mack, appointed committee on preaching.

1785. May 2. £20 was voted and the same committee reappointed "to dispose of said money."

1786. March Meeting. "Hampshire. ss. Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Joseph Blish, Constable of the Town of Middlefield, within said County: Greeting: You are hereby required forthwith to warn and give notice to all the freeholders and other inhabitants of said Town of Middlefield, qualified to vote in public Town Meeting to assemble and meet at the Dwelling house of Mr. Joseph Blish, in said Town, on Monday the 6th day of March next at 9 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles: * * * * * *

Malachi Loveland, Samuel Ingham,
Selectmen of Middlefield.

In pursuance to the above Directions of the Selectmen, The above Described Inhabitants are hereby Notified to assemble at the time and place above mentioned.
Middlefield, February 16, 1786.

Joseph Blish, Constable."

The location of the Meeting House was not settled until June, 1790. Several different sites having been proposed and considered. The long drawn out contention over the location of this church, forms one of the amusing chapters in the history of the Town. The house was built and finished in 1791.

The Rev. Jonathan Nash was called to preach, 2 Aug. 1792, being the first regular minister. This church, repaired and somewhat remodeled, is still in use as a house of worship. The first meetings were held in the barn of David Mack. The names of Joseph Blush and Elizabeth Blush, appear on the first list of members.

Joseph[4] Blish d. at Middlefield, Mass., 8 May 1788, and was buried in the old parsonage lot, east of the church. The inscription on his tombstone reads as follows:- 'In Memory of / Mr. Joseph Blush/who died May 8th/1788, in the 60th/year of his age."

His widow m. Joseph Ross, of Middlefield, and d. according to the church Record, 3 July 1822. The inscription on her tombstone is illegible as to the month, and reads:- "In Memory of Mrs. Elizabeth/ Relict of/ Mr. Joseph Ross/ and former wife of/

Joseph Blush/ Who died.....8. 1822/.....90 year."
Church record says she d. 3 July, 1822.

Many of the descendents of this Joseph Blish, spell the name "Blush."

References—*Colchester Tn. Rec., Bolton Tn. Rec., Taintor's Colchester Rec., Middlefield, Mass., Tn. Rec. and Middlefield tombstones and Middlefield Ch. Rec.*

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49. DAVID[4] BLISH.

(Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID,[4] s. of Tristram[3] (14) and Anna (Fuller) Blish, was b. + 26 Oct. 1732, at Colchester, Conn. He m. about 1752, Zeruiah, dtr. of Dea. Nathaniel and Mary (Gillett) Skinner. She was b. 25 June, 1730, at Colchester, Conn.

CHILDREN.

165.+DAVID,[5] b. 16 Sept. 1753. Bap. 1754.
166. ANNA,[5] b. 3 Sept. 1755. Bap. Oct. 1755. d. 27 Feby. 1826, age 70.
167. ZERUIAH,[5] b. 13 June, 1758. d. 28 June, 1788, in her 30th. year.
168. REBECCA,[5] b. 13 May 1760. m. ..... *Chamberlain,* and the family removed to Franklin, N. Y.
169.+THOMAS,[5] b. 13 Sept. 1762. Bap. 1762.
170. CHAUNCY,[5] b. 1 Sept. 1764. Bap. Oct. 1764. d. Oct. 1782, on his return from carrying provisions to the army. The church record says "in the army. Aged 17."
171. SARAH,[5] b. 10 Apr. 1766. m. *Epaphro Blythe,* and removed to N. Y.
172.+AARON,[5] b. 21 Oct. 1768. Bap. Oct. 1768.
173.+ROGER,[5] b. 23 May 1770. Bap. 1771.

David and Zeruiah Blish were communicants in the church at Marlborough in 1754 and all of their children were baptized there. They are frequently mentioned in the church records and were members all of their lives.

The following entries in the Eastbury Church records show the atmosphere of the times.

1776. Oct. 29. "We heard of the death of Solomon Andrews who died in the army at Ticonderoga, 8th of Oct. 1776."
1777. Jany. 14 "We heard of the death of Ebenezer Brooks, a captive in New York."

David Blish

1777. Jany. 18. "We heard of the death of Jonathan Strickland a captive in New York."

The following entry in the Glastonbury, Conn. Town Records, illustrates an old custom of "livery of seizin."

"Execution was issued on judgment of David Blish vs. Ichabod Waddams, now of Pittsfield, County of Berkshire, Province of Mass. on the first Tuesday in November, 1776, for £41-11-11. Execution dated 20th February Anno Domini 1767 and in the 7th year of his Majesties reign.

Geo. Wyllys, Clerk.

1767. Mar. 21th. "By virtue of said writ I siezed a piece of land which was apraised at £31-4s. I thereupon delivered the seizin and posession of said piece of land to said David Blush by turf and twig in full satisfaction of said sum of £31-4s.

Test: *John Findley, Constable.*"

The old English law forms were well observed in those days. A deed from John Waddams, of New Lebenon, County of Berkshire, Provine of Mass., Bay, Admr. of the Estate of Caleb Waddams. late of Glastonbury, deceased, in consideration of £56-2s-7d, conveys lands in Glastonbury, Conn. The deed is dated "29 day of March, in the 9th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord, George the third, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. Anno Domini 1769."

In two deeds form David Blish to Nathan Dickerson, dated 1 May 1778 and 14 Nov. 1780, the words, "The reign of our sovereign Lord, King George, &c." are erased by drawing a pen through them. King George was *persona non grata* at that time.

In all of the deeds up to this time pounds, shillings and pence were used in expressing the consideration, but in a deed from Abraham Skinner to David Blish, dated 14 Mar. 1801, the consideration is stated in dollars.

"A list of Capt David Miller's Co., Lt Col. Obediah Hosford's Regt that marchd in Septr 1776 to East Chester to join Genl Washington's Army: * * * David Blush, Sergt."

He was aslo a Sergeant in Capt. Rudd's Co. in Co. Chapman's Regt. in the Revoutlionary War. This regiment under Brig. Genl. Taylor, engaged in the atempt to dislodge the British at New Port in Aug. 1778, and was also present at the battle of

Rhode Island. David Blush (Blish) enlisted 2 Aug. and was discharged 24 Sept. 1778.

The only Town office he is recorded as holding is that of highway surveyor, in 1794.

David[4] Blish d. according to the inscription on his tombstone, in the Marlboro' cemetery, 26 Oct. 1817, tho' the Church record has it 1816. His wife Zeruiah d. 27 Jany. 1813, according to her inscription in the cemetery, but an old Bible record says "1 Feb. 1814, in the 85th year of her age," and the Church record has the same date and says "age 84."

Administration was granted on his estate to his son Roger, 10 Feby, 1818, which would indicate that the tombstone record is correct. His estate was small at the time of his death, most of it having been previously distributed, Roger[5] holding the homestead in Marlboro.'

References—*Colch. Conn. Tn. Rec., Colch. Prob. Rec., Taintor's Colch. Rec., Colch. Deed Rec., Marlboro Tn. and Ch. Rec., Glastonbury Tn. Rec., Conn. in the Revolution, and Hebron, Conn. Tn. Rec.*

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50. MARY[4] BLISH SKINNER.

(Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY,[4] dtr. of Tristram[3] (14) and Anne (Fuller) Blish, was b. 8 Mar. 1736, at Colchester, Conn. She m. ..... Apr. 1756, Joseph Skinner, of Colchester.

CHILDREN.

175. LOIS SKINNER, b. ..... July 1756.
176. DANIEL SKINNER, b. 29 May, 1758.
177. URIAH SKINNER, b. 29 Dec. 1759.
178. MARY SKINNER, b. 3 Nov. 1761.
179. SAMUEL SKINNER, b. 3 May 1765.
180. RACHEL SKINNER, b. 5 Oct. 1770.

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FIFTH GENERATION.

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75. LIEUT. JOSEPH[5] BLISH.

(Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

Lieut. JOSEPH,[5] s. of Dea. Joseph[4] (21) and Mercy (Crocker) Blish, was b. 20 July, 1731, at West Barnstable, Mass. Bans for his marriage were published 2 Apr. 1757 and he m. 19 May following, Sarah, dtr. of Thomas and Mehitable (Dimmick) Crocker. She was b. about 1733-4 at Barnstable.

CHILDREN.

225.+MERCY,[6] b. 4 May 1758.
226. OLIVE,[6] b. 3 Jany. 1761. Bap. Mar. 1763. m. to *Andrew Garrett* by Rev. Oakes Shaw, 5 Nov. 1785.
227. CHLOE,[6] b. 31 May 1763. Bap. 3 July 1763. United with the Church, Nov. 1787. d. Sept. 1798, single.
228.+ELIZABETH,[6] b. 31 July 1765. United with the Church 11 Apr. 1778.
229.+JOSEPH,[6] b. 9 Sept. 1767. Bap. Sept. 1767.
230. EUNICE,[6] b. ..... Bap. 8 Apr. 1770. m. *Benjamin Marston.*
231. TIMOTHY,[6] ..... Bap. ..... Dec. 1775. Another record says Jany. 1776. He was accidentally shot, while in the arms of one of his sisters, 6 June 1778. His tombstone says, "In memory of Timothy Blish, son of Joseph and Mrs. Sarah Blish. He was shot in ye head and died immediately on June ye 6th 1778, in his 3rd year.

Lieut. Joseph[5] Blish has the most extensive record of any of the family in Barnstable. Owing to the fact that there are five Josephs in succession, it is often difficult, and sometimes impossible, to decide which one is intended. The following seems to indicate Lieut. Joseph.

1761. Nov. 25. Joseph Blish Jr. chosen hog-reve.
1762. 11. Mar. Southworth Hamblen chosen Constable, but was excused on account of his incapacity, and at his request the Town chose Joseph Blish Jr. who was sworn.
He was juryman in 1762, 1769, 1770, 1779.
1765. He was chosen one of the Wardens.

1766. Oct. 20. "Agents for the West Parish chosen, Joseph Blish Jr., Coll. Otis and Edmund Hinckley."
Same year was chosen fence-viewer, and again in 1783.

1767. Nov. 11. "Voted to choose five agents to procure school masters and settle them. Edward Bacon, Esqr., Joseph Blish, Jr., Daniel Davis, Isaac Lewis and Seth Crocker appointed."

1768. Mar. 3. The committee appointed at Fall meeting to treat with Coll. Otis about the exchange of houses, etc. reported verbally that it was most expedient to take down the old house and build a new one for the use of the Towns poor. Joseph Blish Jr. was on the new committee.*

1769. Oct. 26. Joseph Otis Esqr., Joseph Blish Jr. and Eli Phinney committee to settle accounts with the Town treasurer and report at next meeting.

1771. Mar. 7. Was chosen tithingman.

1773. Mar. 10. Chosen one of the wood-corders.

1773. Nov. 4. Lieut. Blish chosen one of the surveyors of highways. Refused to serve under British officers and resigned before 1774.

1774. Sept. 21. Chosen one of the school agents to hire teachers, etc.

1775. Mar. 24. "Voted that Sam[11] Jones, Lieut. Blish and Esq[r] Marston be a committee to agree with John Smith to support the widow Jones and Wiliam Smith for a certain time."

1776. July 23. The Selectmen were instructed to offer £1 to each soldier or non-commissioned officer who would enlist for three months, over the amount given by the General Court.
"Joseph Blish's mark—a slit on the right ear and a half crop the fore side of the left ear."

1776. Oct. 8. Chosen one of the five school agents.

*Joseph[4] (21) was on the first committee.

1777. Apr. 15. Joseph Blish Jr. on committee to wait upon the Committee of the General Court.

1777. May 20. "Motion made and seconded, whether the Town would give their representatives instructions to proceed to the settlement of a constitution, agreeable to a resolve of the General Court of May 5th. current. This question being put it passed in the negative by a great majority. Voted to choose a committee to give their representatives

instructions. Capt. Sam[11] Crocker, Edward Bacon Esq[r]. Capt. Sam[11] Hinckley, L[t]. Joseph Blish and Capt. Benj. Gorham, appointed a committee for that purpose."

1777. Captain Jenkins being chosen to represent the Town in General Court, his instructions "not doubting his wisdom" enjoin the greatest caution and deliberation in all of the great affairs of the government in a time of great public distress and danger. "We further instruct you to use your utmost endeavors and influence that it be commended by the General Court to the several Towns, as soon as may be, to chose delegates to meet in congress for the puropse of forming a plan of civil Government for this State."

1778. Feby. 3. The Town appointed a committee to assist the Selectmen in filling up the quota of men required for service as soldiers, and an adition of £2 per month was offered. Also a committee to request other Towns to unite in a convention for the purpose of petitioning the General Court for an abatement of the county's quota of men for the public service abroad, in consideration of the peculiar situation of the Towns on the Cape. Sam[11]. Crocker, Joseph Hallett, Edw. Bacon Esq[r], Lt. Joseph Blish and Shearjashub Bourne Esq.[r] were the committee.

1778. Mar. 24. Chosen grand juror.

Apr. 8. On committee with Esq. Bacon and Joseph Davis to look into Mr. John Crocker's account for the year 1777.

1778. Mar. 24. "Voted to add some persons to the committee that were to supply continental soldiers families with necessaries agreeable to the resolve of the General Court. Then were chosen Lieut. Joseph Blish to supply Nathan Fuller's Family, * * * &c.

Dec. 16. "Voted to choose a county committee, with power to invite other towns to accede to the same, in order to consider the state of of the county, and proffer petitions to the General Court on behalf of the counties quota, etc. Lieut. Joseph Blish on the committee.

"James Otis and 29 others petitioned that Edward Bacon Esq[r] Bacon be excluded from public councils, on the ground that he was not lawfully elected and making serious charges. Capt. Sam[11] Crocker, Joseph Hallett and Lieut. Joseph Blish were chosen to investigate the

charges and report. They reported completely exonorating Esqr Bacon and severely condemning those who had signed the petition, but say that some of the names had been very surreptitiously obtained."

1779. Mar. 18. Again on committee to examine John Crocker's accounts.

1779. Mar. 31. "Voted to raise money for a school or schools. Voted to raise the sum of £450 for one grammar schoolhouse and other schools for six months. Voted to chose 9 agents, 3 for each district. Brig^r Otis, Lieut. Joseph Blish Jr. and Mr. Nathan Foster chosen for the west part of the Town.

1779. "At a meeting of the Church held May sec^t 1799 to make choice of a Church Treasurer in the room of Col. Otis, deceased, Joseph Blish was then chosen, who accepted He was then directed not to call in any money due the Church *because of the great depreciation of the paper currency* at that time." The next entry on this subject needs no comment. "At a meeting of the Church, Mar. 4. 1783, the Church voted to have the Treasurer proceed to collect the Church dues, *with interest on them.*" Paper currency was better by this time.

1780. May 2. Joseph Blish Jr. and 14 others were appointed a committee to take the new constitution into consideration and report at the next meeting.

1780. Again on committee to empoy school masters, and on committee to examine Major Hamblin's account and report. May. 23. "Question put whether the Town approved of the new constitution; passes in the negative—14 noes to 10 yeas. Question, whether the Town accept the same with the amendment proposed by their committee—Passes, 54 yeas, 2 noes.

"Voted that Esqr Bacon, Esqr Marston, Lieut. Joseph Blish, Brig^r Otis and Capt. Sturgis Gorham be a committee to make the report of the former committee, relative to the new form of govenrment into a fair draft and transmit the same to the honorable convention, as soon as may be."

1780. "Voted to chose a committee to take into consideration what allowance it is proper to make constables for their past services. Edmund Hinckley, Joseph Blish Jr. and George Lewis appointed.

1781. Mar. 14. Was on committee to settle accounts with the Selectmen for the past year, and later to settle accounts with the Town Treasurer.

1781. Was on committee concerning the fencing of wood-lots.

1782. Jany. 9. On committee to see about places for taking up and yarding of sheep and fees for the same.

Apr. 1. "Voted to chose a committee to sell and convey Benjamin Goodspeed's estate, at such time as they think proper, and hire him a house for some short time, if they judge it expedient, and if said sale amounts to more than enough to indemnify the Town, the remainder to be returned to said Goodspeed as soon as may be. Brig^{r} Otis, Lieut. Joseph Blish and Esqr Marston chosen as committee.

June 8. "Voted to appoint a committee to view a road that Timothy Jones had fenced up for the convenienvy of watering his land, they to report upon the adjournment of this meeting. Lieut. Joseph Blish, Esqr Marston and Elisha Bisbee, committee.

Nov. 25. On committee to hire collectors to collect the Town taxes.

1783. Mar. 20. "Voted to appoint a committee of seven to join with a committee from the Town of Sandwich and other Towns, that shall incline to join in a petition to the General Court for relief under our present distressing circumstances." Lieut. Joseph Blish on the committee.

Oct. 16. Bills. "Mr. Joseph Blishes Team 5 days and himself at 10/6 p^{r} day, ... £2-12-6
his boy 3 days at 2/ p^{r} day 0- 6-0

Oct. 16. Again one of the five school agents to hire school masters, &c.

Dec. 17. On committee to examine constable Pitcher's rate bills and to see what sum of money remains uncollected.

1784. Mar. 18. Chosen surveyor of highways. Also on Committee to settle with the Town Treasurer. Also on com. to examine rate bills.

1785. Apr. 4. "Voted to chose a standing committee to examine the claims of all persons against the Town and report the same from time to time." Lieut. Joseph Blish on the committee.

"Voted that Lieut. Joseph Blish apply to the West Church to know if s^d^ Church demands the money of John Otis that was due from his father to s^d^ Church, and that the Selectmen keep part of s^d^ money in their hands until the Church's mind is known in s^d^ affair."

Oct. 27. Was on committee to settle with Town Treasurer. Also allowed 8/10 for repairs on the Great Bridge.

1787. Mar. 16. On com. with Esqr Marston to settle accounts with Judge Davis. Was Moderator of the Meeting. Was also Moderator for the October meeting, and again in 1791, 1792, 1794, 1796, 1806, 1807, and 1808.

May 24. "Voted to excuse the com. chosen at a former meeting to settle with the Town Treasurer and chose three agents to complete the settlement." Com., Sturgis Gorham, Lieut. Joseph Blish and Samuel Hinckley.

1788. Mar. 20. He was on com. to settle with Brig^r^ Otis, former Town Treasurer. The com. allowed 22/8 for services in setting accounts with the Treasurer.

Oct. 28. Lieut. Joseph Blish and Capt. Samuel Hinckley appointed as a committee to take an account of the Town's debts and also of debts due to s^d^ town and form an estimate of the Town's taxes."

Dec. 4. He was on a com. "to settle the demands the Town have against Brig^r^ Otis and to sell the estate delivered up to them to settle such demands."

1789. Was on Com. to examine Constable bills.

1790. Apr. First Monday. "Voted that Shearjashub Bourne be an agent to defend the suit commenced against the Town by Doct. Jonas Whitman, and also chose Lieut. Joseph Blish and Esqr Bacon to prepare the evidence on behalf of s^d^ Town in the above action."

1798. Mar. Chosen grand juror for the year.

Oct. On com. to settle with Town treasurer.

1805. Oct. 14. Was on com. to settle with the Town Treasurer. Also on com. to lay out a new road. Also allowed damages for a road across his land.

1806. Chosen on road committee.

1808. Was on com. to draft remonstrance against petition of Dr. Whitman.

May 9. Was elected representative, with Richd. Lewis and Jabez Howland.

1809. May 8. Again elected representative with Jabez Howland and Joseph Davis.

1810. Apr. 2. The same three were reelected as representatives.

SARAH; w. of Joseph[5] Blish (75) d. in 1802. Her inscription reads as follows: "In Memory of Mrs. Sarah Blish, wife of Mr. Joseph Blish, who died Nov. 25th, 1802, in her 69th. year."

Lieut. Joseph[5] Blish (75) d. in 1815. His inscription reads: "In Memory of Lieut. Joseph Blish, who departed this life May 19th. 1815, in the 84th. year of his age."

Letters testamentary were issued to Joseph[6] Blish, Esquire, his son, 13 June, 1815.

WILL OF LIEUT. JOSEPH BLISH.

In the Name of God, Amen!

This first day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, I, Joseph Blish of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Yeoman, being advanced in life, but through the goodness of God of sound and disposing mind and memory, am minded to settle my affairs while I am indulged with an opportunity therefor, do therefore make out and ordain this present writing to be my last will and testament.

Principally & first of all I give and recommend my immortal part into the hands of God that gave it, and at my decease my body to the earth in decent christian burial, humbly hoping for a glorious resurrection of the same by the power of God through the merits of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; and as touching my worldly estate with which I have been blessed in this life, I give and dispose thereof as follows, viz: Imprimis: I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Blish, Jr. all my wearing apparel, my large ivory-head cane, my desk in the east room of my dwelling-house together with my notes of hand, debts due me on book & other property contained in the upper part of s[d] desk, viz: in that part secured by the lid but not in the drawers below it, also my green chest that is marked with the two first letters of my name standing near s[d] desk, with all its contents. Item: I give to my daughter Sarah Blish the choice of one feather bed, bolster, pillows, underbed, bedstead and cord, one bedquilt, two coverlids, one pair of blankets, one pair of sheets, one pair of pillow cases, also one hundred and twenty dollars to be paid her by my Executor hereafter named, in one year after my decease; also I give to my s[d] daughter Sarah to improve so long as she shall remain single, the west front room in my dwelling house and the bed room adjoining, the privilege of baking in the oven and doing all necessary work in the kitchen and washroom and passing in and out of doors, and necessary room for laying wood and for other uses, and for fetching water from the well, also a privilege in the cellar to put her sauce and other articles; also three cords of merchantable oakwood yearly, so long as she remains single and keeps fire by herself, to be delivered at her door & cut fit for fire by my executor hereafter named; but

if she shall live in with any family and have the benefit of their fire, then she is to be debarred the privilege so long as she shall live in with any family and have the benefit of their fire; and I hereby order and direct him to keep her part of the house in repair and pay the taxes that may be assessed on the same, till her improvement shall cease; I also give and bequeath to my s^d daughter Sarah her heirs and assigns forever one fourth part of all the marsh I own at broad island sound (so-called) bounded easterly by Capt. Benjamin Whiting & Co. of Plymouth, northerly by Jabez Claghorn, westerly by thorough creek (so-called) & southerly by a creek; also one fourth part of the eastward half of Bearses Island (so-called), bounded westerly by my son Joseph Blish j^r and on all other sides by the creek; also I give to my s^d daughter Sarah the choice of one of my cows at my decease and the privilege of pasturing the same and hay sufficient to winter s^d cow, put into s^d barn out of the improvement of what is hereafter given to my son Joseph Blish j^r so long as she shall remain single, and have the privilege of housing s^d cow in my barn. Item: I give to my daughters Olive Garrett and Elizabeth Marston their heirs and assigns forever, equally between them the one-half of all the marsh I own at Broad Sound (so-called) & one-half of the easterly half of what marsh I own at Broad Island, (so-called) bounded as above mentioned and is in common with what is heretofore given to my daughter Sarah, and hereafter given to my grand-daughters Phebe and Rebecca Crocker. Item: I give to my grand-daughters Phebe Crocker, wife of Alvin Crocker j^r and Rebecca Crocker, dau^r of Winslow Crocker, the remaining one-fourth part of all the marsh I own at Broad Sound & Bearses Island (so-called) equally between them and to their heirs and assigns forever, reserving the improvement thereof to my daughter Mercy Crocker, wife of Winslow Crocker during her natural life.

Item: I give to my s^d daughter Mercy Crocker wife of Winslow Crocker, five dollars in money to be paid by my Executor in one year after my decease.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Eunice Marston, wife of Benjamin Marston, her heirs and assigns one hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid by my Executor hereafter named, in one year after my decease, and my will is that neither of my said daughters, above mentioned be accountable for household furniture and fixing out that I have charged against them on my book.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Blish j^r and to his heirs and assigns forever, all of my real estate of every description whether situated in Barnstable or elsewhere, also all the remainder of my personal estate, including my live stock, farming utensils &c. &c. nothing excepted but what is herein disposed of, he paying the legacies and complying with the directions herein given and also paying my just debts and funeral charges.

Lastly: I nominate and appoint my son Joseph Blish j^r sole Executor to this my last will and testament, and I hereby declare this only to be & contain my s^d last will and testament, and I do hereby revoke & disallow of all others by me heretofore executed.

Joseph Blish L. S.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the s^d Joseph

Blish, to be his last will & testament, the day and year first above written, in the presence of us who subscribe our names as witnesses.

Joseph Crocker,
Joanna Crocker,
Betsey Crocker.

References—*Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Tn. Rec., Barn. Ch. Rec., Freeman's Cape Cod, Otis' Barn. Families.*

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76. HANNAH[5] BLISH.

(Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HANNAH,[5] dtr. of Dea. Joseph[4] (21) and Mercy (Crocker) Blish, was b. 28 Oct. 1732. She lived a spinster, and was liberally provided for in the will of her father.

She united with the church 26 July, 1761.

Hannah Blish signed as witness to receipts of property by Mary, Hannah and Rose Holway to Joseph Holway, their brother, for money due from the Estate of Joseph Holway, deceased, 30 Jany. 1692.

She d. 2 Jany. 1807, in her 75th year, and was buried at West Barnstable. She left a will and her nephew, Joseph[6] Blish Jr. (229) was appointed executor of her estate, 15 July, 1807. The will is interesting on account of the many family connections it gives.

WILL OF HANNAH BLISH.

In the name of God, Amen! I, Hananh Blish, of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable, spinster, being of sound and disposing mind, do make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner following, that is to say:

First: I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God, trusting to His mercy through a Redeemer, and my body I commit to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executor herafter named; and as to my worldly estate with which it has pleased God to bless me, I give and devise as follows:

Imprimis: My will is that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my Executor hereafter named out of what is herein given him.

Item: I give my nicce Olive Garrett, wife of Andrew Garrett, a note of hand of one hundred dollars that I have against my nephew Joseph Blish Junr, and if she shall be taken away by death before my decease, I give said note to Betsy Garrett and Olive Garrett, daughters of the sd Andrew Garrett, equally between them.

Item: I give my niece Elizabeth Marston, wife of Winslow Marston a note of hand for one hundred dollars that I have against Solomon Phinney, and if she shall be taken away before my decease, I give the said note to Mary Marston, daughter of said Winslow Marston.

Item: I give to my two nieces Eunice Marston wife of Benjamin Marston and Sarah Blish a note of hand that I have against my brother, Joseph Blish, and a note of hand I have against said Benjamin Marston equally between them.

Item: I give to Phebe Crocker, wife of Alvin Crocker Junr my silver spout cup.

Item: I give to Rebecca Crocker and Sophia Crocker, daughters of Winslow Crocker all my wearing apparel and household furniture that I die siezed of equally between them, except my silver spout cup herein given to Phebe Crocker, and in case either of them shall be taken away by death before my decease, I give my said wearing apparel and household furniture to the surviving sister.

Item: I give to my nephew Joesph Blish Junr the cow that I may die seized of and if there shall be anything due from said Joseph Blish Junr at my decease, I give it to the sd Joseph Blish Junr, his heirs and assigns, he paying all my just debts and funeral charges.

Item: I nominate and appoint my nephew Joseph Blish Junr Executor to this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of March, A. D. 1806.

Hannah Blish *L. S.*

Witnesses:

Joseph Crocker.
Joanna Crocker.
Dennis Cotell.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Barn. Prob. Rec., Barn. Ch. Rec.*

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81. BENJAMIN[5] BLISH.

(Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BENJAMIN[5] s. of Dea. Joseph[4] (21) and Mercy (Crocker) Blish, was bap. 18 July, 1742, at West Barnstable, Mass. He was m. 25 Nov. 1770. to Susannah Baxter, by Nymphas Marston, Esqr.

CHILDREN.

233. TIMOTHY,[6] b. 13 Aug. 1771.
234+OWEN,[6] b. 5 Nov. 1773.
235. SUSANNAH,[6] bap. 5 Oct. 1777. m. Winthrop Sears. (?).
236. BENJAMIN,[6] b. ....., Is supposed to have died young.

No record of the deaths of Benjamin Blish or his wife has been found.

1772. Mar. 24. Benj. Blish Jr. chosen juror for the April court.
1776. Benjamin Blish of Barnstable, was a private in Capt. Micah Hamlin's Co., Col. Thomas Marshall's Regt. Order for advanced pay dated Boston, June 27th, 1776.
Benjamin Blish was a corporal in Capt. Micah Hamlin's Co., Col. Marshall's Regt. Enlisted 13 June 1776. Roll made up Aug. 1, 1776. Service 1 mo. 19 ds. Roll dated Castle Island. Also pay roll for service from Aug. 1 to Aug. 27, 1776, 26 days.

(It is impossible to determine whether this record belongs to this Benjamin or Benjamin[4] (30) son of Abraham[3] (8). There was only one year's difference in their ages.)

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Barn. Ch. Rec., and Mass. Sold. & Sailors in the Rev.*

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82. EBENEZER[5] BLISH.

(Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EBENEZER[5] s. of Dea. Joseph[4] (21) and Mercy (Crocker) Blish, was b. 1 Apr. 1744, at Wset Barnstable, Mass. He never married. He was a farmer.

1787. Mar. 16. Was chosen surveyor of highways.
1799. Mar. 18. Was chosen to serve on the grand jury.

The following record of a deed for a pew in church may be of interest.

CHURCH PEW DEED.

Know All Men by these Presents—That we Nathaniel Jenkins, Esquire and Asa Jenkins, yeoman, both of Barnstable, in the County of Barnstable, being a Committee legally chosen and empowered by the inhabitants of the West Parish of Barnstable, in said County, to sell and convey the pews, etc. lately built in the Meeting House of said Parish, in the consideration of the sum of Eighty-seven Dollars and fifty cents, paid us by Lemuel Nye, Jr. of Barnstable, in the County of Barstable, hatter, the receipt whereof we hereby acknowledge, do hereby give, grant, sell and convey in our said capacity, in behalf of said Parish, unto the said Lemuel Nye Jr.

his heirs and assigns forever, the one-half of a pew in said Meeting House, at the west end thereof where late there was an end door and adjoining the pew that belonged to Ebenezer Blish, late of Barnstable, deceased, and the pew which belongs to Ebenezer Bodfish Jr. and others. * * * To Have and to Hold the aforementioned premises, with all of the privileges and appurtenances, unto the said Lemuel Nye Jr. his heirs and assigns forever, in our said capacity, and we de hereby, in our said capacity, warrant the said granted premises free and clear of all incumbrances, to the said Lemuel Nye Jr. his heirs and assigns and will defend the same in our said capacity to the said Lemuel Nye Jr. his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this 5th day of April, Anno Domini 1809.

Nathaniel Jenkins, SEAL.
Asa Jenkins, SEAL.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us.

Joseph Blish, Jr.
Hamlen Crocker.

Barnstable: ss.

April 5, 1809. Personally appeared Nath[l] Jenkins and Asa Jenkins & severally acknowledged that the above written instrument by them subscribed to be their free will and deed.

before me, Joseph Blish, Jr.
Justice of the Peace.

Ebenezer[5] Blish d. 2 Sept. 1801, and is buried at West Barnstable. He made the following will, upon which letters were granted to Joseph Blish Jr. "Morn Dec. 8. 1801."

WILL.

In the Name of God, Amen! I Ebenezer Blish of Barnstable in the County of Barnstable, Yeoman, being weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory do make and declare this my Last Will and Testament, in manner following that is to say:

First: I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God, trusting in the mercy of God through a Redeemer, and my body I commit to the earth to buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named; and as to my worldly estate, with which it hath pleased God to bless me, I give and devise as follows:

Imprimis: My will is that my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my Executor hereafter named and out of the estate herein given to Ebenezer Blish, Ju[r].

Item: I give to my sister Hannah Blish the improvement of my westward lower room in my dwelling house, also one of my best cows, with the privilege of pasturing one cow and hay sufficient to winter said cow, put into my barn and the privilege of housing said cow in my barn, during her natural life, to be done by my Executors out of the improvement of my homestead hereafter given to Ebenezer Blish, Ju[r]; also I give and be-

queath to my said sister Hannah Blish, her heirs and assigns forever all my indoor household furniture and my pillows.

Item: I give and bequeath to my nephew Joseph Blish Junr to him and his assigns forever all that piece of salt marsh that was formerly Richard Killey's lying at Broad Sound (so-called,) which I bought of my brother Joseph Blish, as p^r deed dated May 31, 1790 and contains about eight acres more or less; also one piece of woodland that was formerly in Richard Killey's deed, lying in the west precinct in Barnstable, and is the lower end of the forty-third woodlot in the lower tier, and contains about seven acres more or less and is that piece of woodlot that I bought of my brother Joseph Blish, as per deed dated May 31, 1790; also all my wearing apparel and curtains, two cows, my horses and carriages and all my personal estate of every kind and nature whatever, not otherwise herein disposed of.

Item: I give to the sons of Winslow Crocker, viz: Watson, George, Arthur, and Edward W. Crocker, all that my estate which I bought of Daniel Crocker as p^r deed dated December 11th, 1799 which was Winslow Crocker's with the dwelling house and the buildings thereon and the cleared land and the woodland and fresh and salt meadow along thereto belonging, except that piece of salt meadow at Broad Sound which was formerly Richard Killey's and is herein given to Joseph Blish Junr, they the said Watson, George, Arthur and Edward W. Crocker being obliged to support their parents Winslow and Mary Crocker out of the improvement of said estate, during their natural life and paying to Andrew Garrett Junr son of Andrew Garrett and Charles Marston son of Winslow Marston, their heirs and assigns one hundred dollars to each of them when they shall arrive at the age of twenty-one years; and my will is that if any or either of said sons of Winslow Crocker decease leaving no child, that their estate go and I do hereby give it to the surviving brother or bretheren, and if all of s^d sons of Winslow Crocker shall decease leaving no child, I do herein give and bequeath s^d estate to my nephew Joseph Blish J^r his heirs and assigns forever, he the s^d Joseph, his heirs and assigns being obliged to support the s^d Winslow Crocker and Mary his wife during their natural lives as above mentioned.

Item: I give and bequeath to Ebenezer Blish Junr to him his heirs and assigns forever, all that my homestead with my dwelling-house and barn standing thereon together with my farming utensils, shepard tools, allso my marsh, cleared land, & woodland thereto belonging, except that piece of woodland that was formerly Richd Killey's and is herein given to Joseph Blish Junr allso my Gorham field (so-called) which I bought of John Palfrey Junr, Benjamin Gorham and William Hinckley as Executors of the will of Sturgis Gorham Esquire, late of Barnstable, deceased as p^r deed dated Nov. 27, 1795: also my pew in the meeting-house reserving the right of my sister Hannah to sit there during her natural life.

Item: I give and bequeath to my niece Olive Garrett to her and her heirs and assigns forever my two fields which I bought of the heirs of Silas Blish late of Barnstable, deceased and is bounded westwardly by the road, northwardly by the heirs of Daniel Carpenter, deceased, and easterly and southerly by the pond called "Steward's pond."

Item: I nominate and appoint my nephew Joseph Blish Junr Executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eleventh day of August, Anno Domini 1801.

Ebenezer Blish, L. S.

Witness: *Joseph Crocker,* Third.
Jon^a. Crocker.
Ansel Alling.

References—*Barn. Deed Rec., Barn. Tn. Rec.*

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110. JOHN[5] BLISH.

(John,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN,[5] s. of John[4] (36) and Mary (Goodspeed) Blish, was b. 14 Nov. 1745. at West Barnstable, Mass.

"The mark of John Blish Jr. for his creatures, a half crop on the upper side of each ear. Entered Jany. 8, 1770, and he says it has been his mark for two years."
"Barnstable, Oct. 24. 1761.

John Blish Jr. brought to be posted one white horned ram, taken Going at Large with the artificial mark of a half penny each side of right ear."

"John Blish was a private in Capt. Micah Hamlin's Co. Col. Simeon Cary's Regt. Enlisted 2 Feby. 1776. Pay roll made up for 6 days to time of marching." Also was a private in Capt. Ebenezer Jenkin's Co., Col. Freeman's Regt. Pay roll for 8 days service on alarm at Falmouth and Dartmouth, 6 Sept. 1778.

No record of his marriage or death has been found.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec. and Mass. Sold. & Sail. in the Rev.*

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112. STACY[5] BLISH.

(John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

STACY[5] s. of John[4] (36) and Mary (Goodspeed) Blish, was b. 26 Mar. 1751, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 16 Oct. 1773, Mary, dtr. of ..... and Mary (Stacy) Barker, of Yarmouth. She was b. about 1752.

CHILDREN, born at Barnstable.

240.+PATIENCE, b. 13 July, 1774.
241+HANNAH, b. 29 Dec. 1776.
242.+REBECCA, b. 18 June 1778.
243.+JOHN, b. 16 Apr. 1780.
244.+BETSEY, b. 24 Apr. 1783, at Vassalborough, Maine, as were all of the remainder of the children.
245. DANIEL, b. 13 Jany. 1785. d. at sea, unmarried.
246+JAMES, b. 13 Dec. 1787.
247. WINNIFRED, b. 12 Oct. 1788. m. ..... *Sanborn*, a farmer at Foxcroft, Maine. No children.
248. SAMUEL, b. 6 Aug. 1792. d. in the West Indies, unmarried.
249+WILLIAM, b. 3 Aug. 1794.
250. MARY, ("POLLY") b. 3 Sept. 1796 m. ..... *Hallet*, a merchant of Augusta, Maine. Had one child which d. in infancy.
251.+SARAH, b. 13 July, 1798.

Stacy[5] Blish went to Vassalborough, Maine, in 1780, bought land and built a house, and in 1781 removed his family there. He afterwards built a hotel, which he kept as long as he lived. In his latter years he was called the "grey eagle," having abundant grey hair and piercing black eyes.

There are only two references to him in the Barnstable Town records.

1775. Nov. 12. Brought to be posted by Mr. Stacy Blish, a white ram with large horns, marked with a slit in the left ear and a half crop under the right. Posted 5 days, pr. Josiah Crocker, Town Clerk.

1770. Mark of Stacy Blish for his creatures is a slit in the left ear and a half crop in the upper side of the right ear. Entered 12 Mar. 1770.

He d. at Vassalborough, Me. in 1803-4. Mary, his wife d. in 1836, age 84.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Vassalborough, Me. Tn. Rec., and letters of Samuel Blish, of New Brunswick, N. J.*.

125. SILAS[5] BLISH.

(Silas,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1] ... ...

SILAS[5] s. of Silas[4] (37) and Mercy (Tobey) Blish, was b. July 1756 at Barnstable, Mass. He was m. 22 Apr. 1788, to Sally (Sarah) Loring, by Rev. John Mellen, pastor at old Barnstable. She was b..... 1762.

CHILD.

255. OLIVE, b. 13 Nov. 1789.

Sarah, his wife d. in 1790. The inscription on her tombstone at Lathrop's Hill, is as follows:-"In Memory of Mrs. Sarah, wife of Silas Blish. She died May ye 6th 1790, in the 28th year of her age."

He m. as second wife, Chloe, dtr. of Nicholas Cobb, 17 Jany. 1791.

CHILDREN.

256. SARAH, b. Oct. 1792.. *Thomas Lumbard Jr.* of Sandwich and Sarah Blish, of Barnstable, were entered for publication of marriage, 18 Mar. 1818.
257. CALVIN, b. 16 Oct. 1793.
258. SETH, b. 2 Jany. 1795.
259. ANNA, b. 3 Nov. 1797.
260. MERCY, b. 18 Mar. 1799.
261. HANNAH, b. 8 Apr. 1801.
262. SILVESTER, b. 30 Jany. 1803, d. ..... Mar. 1826, aged 23 years.
263. +ASA b. 22 Mar. 1806.

1785. May 10. "The Town made choice of Silas Blish to collect money that remains to be collected on rate bills that was committed to Silas Blish late of Barnstable, deceased, he to collect the same at his own expense."
1788. June 4. Silas Blish's mark for his creatures is a hole in the right ear and a half penny under side the same.
1789. Mar. 17. Silas Blish chosen one of the fence viewers.
1800. Mar. 30. "Voted that Silas Blish and family be left to the discretion of the Selectmen. (This entry is unexpialned, but doubtless some great calamity must have befallen them.)

Silas Blish d. 21 Nov. 1824, at the age of 68 years.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., and Cemetery Rec.*

126. ELISHA[5] BLISH.

(Silas,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELISHA[5] s. of Silas[4] (37) and Mercy (Tobey) Blish, was, b. 3 Dec. 1758, at Barnstable, Mass. He was m. 2 June 1790, to Rebecca Linnell, widow and third wife of John Linnell. The first wife of John Linnell was Mercy Sturgis; his second, Ruth Linnell, a sister of Rebecca, and both were dtrs. of James Linnell. By Rebecca he had one child, Abigail. By the ecclesiastical law of England it was illegal for any man to marry his deceased wife's sister, and the issue of such marriages was declared to be illegitimate. Taking advantage of this law, the other heirs of John Linnell claimed his large estate, to the exclusion of his widow and daughter, but before any settlement was made the daughter died, the widow married and the law was changed, and Rebecca finally came into posession of nearly all of her first husband's estate. She was a character in Barnstable, and was familiarly known as "Aunt Beck." In her early life she was neat, industrious and very economical, but in later years her economy degenerated into parsimony. She began to hoard and save the most useless articles and to store them away, until her house was literally filled and over-run with old tubs, pails, cracked pots and kettles, broken crockery, disabled furniture, old bones etc., while the walls were festooned with useless clothing, bunches of dried herbs, feathers and scraps of various kinds, until there was hardly room to get about in the house. Notwithstanding this idiosyncracy, she was a woman of strong mind and brooked no control. Elisha Blish, her husband, was a shoemaker by trade, a very worthy man, and an exemplary member of the Methodist Church. He mildly protested, but Aunt Beck would have none of his interference, and as a result lost much of her fortune by lending money to unworthy people or upon worthless security. In her religious opinions she was strictly orthodox, and hated the Methodists, mainly however, because they called at her house and her husband contributed to the support of that church. She died 7 Nov. 1830, age 86 years. She died on Sunday and on Thursday preceding, her attendants began removing the accumulated rubbish which was known as "Aunt Beck's Museum." She heard them and asked them if it was thundering. Some evasive answer satisfied her, but her curiosities were ruthlessly burned or scattered. The old house was transformed, cleaned and papered and new furniture brought in. Her tomb-

stone says: "In memory of Mrs. Rebekah, wife of Mr. Elisha Blish. She died Nov. 16th 1830, in the 86th year of her age. *She died willingly, In hopes of a glorious resurrection.*" Forty-five days after her death there was a wedding party at the house, and Elisha[5] Blish married Rebecca Linnell, a grand-niece of his wife, then aged 29. The intentions were published at Barnstable, 8 Dec. 1830, and they were married 22 Dec., by the Rev. Hector Brownson. The remaining sixteen years of his life were spent in comfort, though the old man said on one occasion, that his second wife was not as "ecônomical" as his first.

1806. Mar. 10. Jabez Howland was selected to take care of the Town lands that formerly belonged to Parker Lumbart and Elisha Blish.
Apr. 7. "Voted not to pay the account presented by Elisha Blish."
1808. Mar. 22. James Merchant and Elisha Blish chosen to prevent trespass on the school lot, so-called.

"Barnstable, Apr. 1st, 1812.

We certify that Elijah Blish of the Town of Barnstable, is a member of the religious society in the Town of Barnstable, called Methodist.

James Fuller,
Ebenezer Hinckley.

Committee.

Received April 7th, 1812.

A true copy. Attest—*Naler Crocker,* Town Clerk."

These certificates were necessary in order to exempt a person from paying "church rates" to the orthodox church.

1813. Apr. 5. Elisha Blish with John Hinckley and others chosen petit jurors.

"Elisha Blist, seaman on Brigantine "Hazard" commanded by Capt. John F. Williams. Pay abstract for advance pay, for 1 mo." Year not given.

Elisha[5] Blish d. 28 May 1846, age 86 years. His death is recorded at the bottom of his wife's tombstone in the Centerville Cemetery and there is also a stone in the cemetery at Phinney's Lane.

After the death of Elisha Blish, his widow m. Rev. Scolly G. Usher, who became a practicing physician in the west.

References.—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Otis' Barn. Families and Mass. Sold & Sail. in the Rev.*

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130. THOMAS[5] BLISH.

(Reuben,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

THOMAS[5] s. of Reuben[4] (38) and Elizabeth (Bodfish) Blish, was b. 21 July 1751, at Barnstable, Mass.

1778. Dec. 16. "Voted to remit to Nath. Jenkins, Constable for 1777,

Thomas Blish's Town Rate, . £0-6-4.
Thomas Blish's Province Rate, £0-5-7.
Also for the year 1776.
"Thomas Blish's Town & Province Rate, £0-16-8."

It was customary to remit taxes to persons in the military service, tho' no record of such service is known to the compiler.

1784. Dec. 6. Richard Creech and Susanna Blish were appointed administrators of the estate of Thomas Blish, yeoman, deceased.

1785. Mar. 8. Inventory and Appraisement filed, £59-18-10, and the estate was declared to be insolvent.

References—*Barn. Tn. and Prob. Rec.*

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137. BENJAMIN[5] BLISH.

(Benjamin,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BENJAMIN[5] s. of Benjamin[4] (42) and Mary (Adams) Blish, was b. 11 Feby. 1753, at Colchester, Conn. He m. ....., 1744, Phebe Skinner, dtr. of .....

CHILDREN.

275.+PHEBE,[6] b. ....., 1775. m. *Orris Clapp.*

276. HANNAH,[6] b. ....., 1779 m. *Benjamin Hopkins* (?) d. 25 Dec. 1813.
277.+BENJAMIN,[6] b. 9 June 1784, at Middlefield, Mass.
278. MILLICENT,[6] b. ..... 1787, m. *Ebenezer Nye.*
279. SOPHIA,[6] b. ....., 1789. m. *Grant Perkins.*
280. CLARISSA,[6] b. ....., 1791. m. 1st *Lyman Kent,* 2nd.*Luther Dille.*
281.+ZENAS,[6] b. 20 Oct. 1793.
282.+PHILENA,[6] b. ..... 1796. m. *Isaac Moore.*
283. NANCY,[6] b. ..... 1799. m. *Lester Perkins.*

Benjamin[5] Blish, like all of his ancestors was a farmer in Colchester. He removed about 1780 to Middlefield, Mass., where his uncle Joseph[4] (47) had preceded him.

1783. Apr. Was chosen one of the fence viewers for Middlefield at the first Town Meeting held in the Town.
Sept.2. He was put onto the committee to find the most proper and convenient place for the meeting house to stand. They reported and recommended that it stand on the main road between Mr. Joseph Blush and Widow Ford's" This recommendation does not seem to have been adopted, as another committee was chosen, 24 Aug. 1789, "to pitch upon a spot" for the meeting-house between Oliver Blush and Josiah Leonard's. Even this did not settle the matter definitely. The question came up again, 30 June, 1790, and it was voted to "set the church on the ledge south of Oliver Blush's."
1784. Apr. 24. He with his uncle Joseph,[4] were put onto the school committee, who founded the first public school in Middlefield.
1793. Sept. 22. Benjamin, Millicent, Sophia and Clarissa, children of Benjamin Blish, were baptized.
Zenas[6] was bap. 30 Mar. 1794. Philena[6] in 1796, and Nancy,[6] 14 Sept. 1801.
1801. Nov. 15. Received to full standing in the Church, Hannah Blish and Lucy Pond.

Benjamin[5] Blish remained in Middlefield until 1805, when he removed to Painesville, Ohio. Here he continued farming until his death, which occured 11 Mar. 1825.

References—*Colchester, Conn. Tn. Rec., Middlefield, Mass. Tn. & Ch. Rec.*

141. EZRA[5] BLISH.

(Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham[1].)

EZRA[5] s. of Sylvanus[4] (44) and Esther (Way) Blish, was b. 16 Apr. 1759, at Colchester, Conn. He m. Aug. 1786, Hannah Hills, dtr. of .....

CHILDREN.

285. HOPE,[6] b. 14 Apr. 1787. d. 17 Aug. 1826.
286.+ELISHA,[6] b. 29 Jany. 1789, at New London, Conn.
287. SUSAN,[6] b. 29 Nov. 1790.
288. RACHEL,[6] b. 29 Dec. 1792.
289. EZRA,[6] b. 12 Nov. 1794. d. ....., 1841.
290. ASA,[6] b. 9 Mar. 1799. Was drowned in the Connecticut river.
291.+ROBERT STILES,[6] b. 19 Apr. 1802. at Marlboro,' Conn.

Hope Blish[6] met her death by a singular accident. She climbed upon a stone fence to get some wild cherries from a tree that stood near the wall. The fence gave way and she was thrown to the ground and some large stones fell upon her, causing injuries from which she died in a short time.

Asa Blish was a very skillful swimmer and undertook to swim across the Connecticut river and back. He went across and started back, but was taken with cramp and sank before any one could reach him.

Ezra Blish was a farmer. Was a very devout man and a consistent christian. He was a private in the Mass. line in the war of the Revolution. Was Surgeon's Mate in the Conn. line. In 1834, at the age of 75 he was allowed a pension dating from 1818, and received $1526.36 for arrearages and an alowance of $96. per year. The census of 1840 gives his name as one of the revolutionary pensioners.

(No general pension laws were passed by Congress until March, 1818, when it was provided that survivors of the Revolutionary war who had served nine months, or more, in the Continental Army or Navy, could become pensioners of the Government. Prior to that time, relief had been given only to those who had been disabled in the service, or to their widows or minor children.)

In 1831 ten residents and three from the outside, called a meeting to organize a Baptist Church in Marlboro, Conn. Aaron and Oliver Phelps and Ezra Blish were the leading spirits. Meetings were held in the north-east schoolhouse until 1838. The membership had increased to 38 at this time, but it gradually fell

off afterwards, and meetings were discontinued. Ezra Blish and the other guiding members had died in the mean time.

Hannah, the wife of Ezra Blish d. 20 May 1816, and he m. Azuba Banning, a widow, who survivied him. Ezra d. about 1836.

He was for a time at New London, Conn., and lived in Chatham, in 1794, but the closing years of his life were spent in Marlboro.

References—*Colch. Tn.* & *Deed Recs., Marlboro Tn. Rec., Mem. Hist. Hartford Co., Census* 1840, *Conn. in the Rev., Rept. Secy. of War,* 1835.

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144. SILAS[5] BLISH.

(Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SILAS[5] s. of Sylvester[4] (44) and Esther (Way) Blish, was b. 17 Apr. 1763, at Colchester, Conn. He m. ....., Hannah Eliza Phelps, dtr. of .....

CHILDREN.

295. CATHARINE,[6] b. 18 May 1784. m. *Alpha* or *Alfred Townsend.*
296. NICHOLAS,[6] b. 18 Sept. 1789. m. *Charity Ferguson,* & had 4 children.
297. JOHN,[6] b. 7 Aug. 1792. m. *Lucy Ackerly* & had 5 children.
298. JAMES,[6] b. 19 July 1796. m. *Esther Craft* & had 3 children.
299. ASA,[6] b. 19 May 1799, m. *Katharine Kelly* & had 6 children.
300. JANE,[6] b. 7 Jany. 1801. m. *Trowbridge Mills* or *Milks.*
301.+SIMON,[6] b. 22 Mar. 1812. m. *Mary Ann McKeel.*

It is not known just when Silas left Connecticut, but a deed from him to his brother Asa, dated 8 Sept. 1791, locates him at Red Hook, Dutchess county, N. Y. His brother Reuben (143) was also in Red Hook in 1792, as shown by a deed from him to Asa conveying a like interest. Silas later removed to Middletown, Delaware county, N. Y.and took up wild lands. He remained here the remainder of his life. His farm passed to his son Simon. He is said to have lived to the age of 92 years, which would locate his death about 1855. Many of his descendants are now living in Delaware county, N. Y. and in that vicinity.

Silas[5] Blish served in the war of 1812.

References—*Colch. Tn. Rec., Colch. Deed Rec., Biog. Hist. Delaware Co. N. Y.*

146. ABRAHAM[5] BLISH.

(Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ABRAHAM[5] s. of Sylvanus[4] (44) and Esther (Way) Blish, was b. ..... 1769. He m. ....., Alice Fuller. She was b. ..... 1781.

CHILDREN.

302.+EDMUND,[6] b. .....

303.+ALICE,[6] b. 14 July 1806, at Colchester, Conn.

304.+DANIEL,[6] b. 4 Dec. 1810.

305. BENJAMIN,[6] b. ..... 1817.

306. MARY,[6] b. ..... m. *Joseph Arnold* and had son Henry. (See 302 post.)

307. NANCY,[6] b. ..... m. *Calvin Brooks Wickham*, and had:
I. Ralph[7] who m. and had Clarissa[8] and Calvin.[9]
II. Ellen,[7] who m. ..... *McLean*, and had Frederick,[8] Frank,[8] Minnie,[8] and Calvin.[8] Lived at Middletown, Conn.
III. Mary, who died young.
IV. Sarah Jane,[7] who m. *Nelson P. Eddy*, and had Mary[8] and Gabriella.[8] Mary[8] m. *Edgar A. Lincoln* and lived at New Bedford, Mass. Gabriella[8] m. *Chas. A. Ray*, of Providence, R. I.

308. SARAH,[6] b. ..... m. *Justin Arnold*, a brother of *Joseph*, above, who lived in Millington, Conn. Had one child,

309. ASA,[6] b. ..... m. *Abby Webster*, a sister of Geo. W. Webster, had one boy Charles Henry,[7] who is a slate-roofer by trade, and two girls, Elizabeth[7] and ..... (See 302, post.)

210. HARRIET,[6] b. ..... m. *Lucius F. Breckenbridge*. She was a woman of fine executive ability. She owned the stage line from Colchester to Andover, and her husband drove one of the coaches. He finally became much addicted to drink, and when the stage was late, she would go out and meet it, get up and take the lines and drive it herself. She died in Colchester and is buried in East Haddam.

Abraham[5] Blish lived on a farm on the Town line. His dwelling house was in East Haddam and his barn in Colchester, he owning lands on both sides of the road.

1797. Sept. 18. He took the freeman's oath.

He d. 29 July, 1840, the Church record says "of dropsy." Alice, his wife d. 1 Mar. 1851, "of lung fever." They are both buried in a small cemetery near the Town line, on the road from

Colchester to Millington, and their son Benjamin C., is also buried there. Their inscriptions read as follows:-

"In Memory of Abraham Blish, who died July 29th, 1840. Aet 71 years."

Alice, relict of Abraham Blish, died March 1st, 1851. Aged 70 years."

"Benjamin C. Blish, drowned August 18th, 1857. Aged 40."

(As dates of the births of most of the children in this family could not be obtained, the order of arrangement is not vouched for.)

BENJAMIN[6] C. BLISH (305) was a bachelor. Joseph Arnold, his brother-in-law, was appointed administrator of his estate, in 1857.

1859. Oct. 12. Claims:

Lucius F. Breckenridge,	$49 64	Allowed.
Nancy Wickham,	30 00	Not Allowed.
H. Wickham,	$4 00	Not Allowed.

References—*Colch. Prob. Rec., Colch. Tn. Rec., Letters of Mrs. Sarah J. Eddy and A. E. Purple.*

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150. REUBEN[5] BLISH.

(John,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

REUBEN,[5] s. of John[4] (46) and Abigail (.....) Blish, was b. 16 Jany. 1757, at Colchester, Conn. He m. Sept. 1800, Demis Wright.

CHILD.

311. JOHN HENRY, b. 23 May 1802, at Colchester.

1809. "Demas Blish, adult, and John Henry Blish, were baptized."

References—*Colch. Tn. and Ch. Rec.*

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156. LOIS[5] BLISH ISHAM.

(John,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LOIS[5] dtr. of John[4] (46) and Abigail (.....) Blish,

was b. ..... 1770, at Colchester, Conn. She m. 28 Sept. 1790, Joseph Isham 3rd.

CHILDREN.

312. "DAN, thr. son." b. 23 Oct. 1791.
313. DAVID ISHAM, b. 9 June 1793, and d. 13 Apr. 1796.
314. SALLY ISHAM, b. 30 Nov. 1795.
315. EDWARD ISHAM, b. 14 July 1799.
316. MARY ISHAM, b. 12 Sept. 1801.
317. HARRY ISHAM, b. 4. Jany. 1803.
318. JOSEPH ISHAM, and
319. LOIS ISHAM, twins. b. 23 Mar. 1806.

Lois[5] Blish Isham d. 14 Feby. 1841 aet. 71.

References—*Colch. Tn. Rec.*

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158. JOHN DENISON[5] BLISH.

(John,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN DENISON[5] s. of John[4] (46) and Sarah (Gardner) Blish, was b. ..... Feb. 1786, at Colchester, Conn. He m. Oct. 1809, at Hamilton, N. Y. (?), Hannah, dtr. of Charles and Elizabeth (Sweetland) Otis.*

CHILDREN.

320. ELIZA GOOLD,[6] b. 16 Aug. 1811, at Smyrna, N. Y. (?)
321. PRUDENCE OTIS,[6] b. 19 Jany. 1814. m. ..... Mott.

Hannah Otis Blish d. 22 Jany. 1818, and John Denison Blish m. 2nd Elcy (Elsie) dtr. of Lifflet (Eliphalet) and Abby (Abigail) Collins. She was b. ..... 1792, at Enfield, Conn.

CHILDREN.

322 HANNAH COLLINS,[6] b. 22 May 1820, at Lebanon, N. Y.
323.+CHARLES DENISON,[6] b. 29 June 1822, at Hamilton, N. Y.
324.+JOHN SWEETLAND,[6] b. 22 July 1824, at Hamilton, N. Y.

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*Charles Otis b. 29 Oct. 1760, m. Elizabeth Sweetland. His dtr. Hannah, m. John Blish. His son Chas. G. Otis lived at Earlville, N. Y. and is a Justice of the Peace. (1850.)

Elizabeth Sweetland was b. Gould of E. Haddam, Conn.

Chas. Otis took the oath of fidelity at Colchester, 17 Dec. 1782, and settled at Hamilton, N. Y. (N. E. Gen. Regr. Vol. 4.)

"Sarah ye wife of John Sweetland & who was ye widow Treadway, Deceased February 28th 1753." (Colch. Tn. Rec. Vol. 2.)

325. FREDERICK,[6] b. 15 Apr. 1839, at Hamilton, N. Y.

John Denison[5] Blish had only a common school education, his father dying when he was young, and he at once left home and earned his own living from that time. The greater part of his life was spent as a hotel keeper at Hamilton, N. Y., where he lived for over 40 years. He was six feet in height, broadshouldered and well proportioned, and very strong and active. He was kind and charitable and recognised as a man of unswerving integrity. In his tastes he was simple, very fond of good horses and live stock of any kind.

He d. 30 Oct. 1862, at Hamilton, N. Y. His wife, Elcy, d. 31 Dec. 1887, at Brooklyn, N. Y., and was buried at Hamilton.

References—*Colch Tn. Rec., N. E. Gen. Regr., Gardner Gen'y. and letters of John Sweetland Blish.*

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160. ELIZABETH[5] (BLISH) LITTLE.

(Joseph.[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELIZABETH[5] or "Betsey," dtr. of Joseph[4] (47) and Elizabeth (Skinner) Blish, was b. 22 May 1756, at Colchester, Conn. She m. Barzillai, s. of Judah Little and ..... Townsend. He was b. ..... 1750, probably in Tolland county, Conn.

CHILDREN.

I. NIAL,[6] b. 29 Apr. 1775. m. *Rhoda Root,* 4 Sept. 1803. d. 2 Feb. 1834, at Becket, Mass.

II. BARZILLAI,[6] b. 8 Sept. 1778. m. *Hephesebah Howe,* 28 Mar. 1810. She was b. 5 May 1780. He d. 8 Apr. 1838.

III. WARREN,[6] b. 5 Sept. 1782. m. 1st. *Polly Gillette.* 2nd *Susannah Spencer,* 18 Sept. 1811, and 3rd. *Mary Kennedy.* He d. 8 Nov. 1868. Lived at Aurora, Ohio.

IV. RUSSELL,[6] b. 5 Sept. 1782. m. 1st. *Sally Mack,* and 2nd. *Elizabeth Kendall.* He d. 7 May 1865. Resided at Lenox, Mass.

V. CHARLES HENRY,[6] b. 3 Oct. 1784. m. 1st. *Sally Watson.* 2nd. *Minerva* ..... Lived at Middlefield, Mass., d. 24 Dec. 1841.

VI. BETSEY,[6] b. 23 Dec. 1785 m. *Elijah Alford,* d. 15 Aug, 1851.

VII. NANCY,[6] b. 5 Sept. 1791 m. 14 Mar. 1815, *James Church* of Middlefield, Mass. d. 6 Apr. 1863.

VIII. SARAH,[6] b. 22 Jany. 1795 m. 15 Oct. 1820, *Philip Meacham,* d. 5 Feb. 1859.

IX. AMASA,[5] b. 17 Aug. 1800. m. *Achsah Smith,* d. 13 Nov. 1885 at Windam, O.

Barzillai Little d. 13 Dec. 1835, and his wife, Betsey, d. 8 Aug, 1838, and both are buried at Middlefield, Mass.

The family claim that all of the children were born in Middlefield, Mass, in which conclusion the compiler cannot coincide. The fact that their births are recorded there, is not conclusive. It was customary upon removal to a new place, to there record the births of all the children, whether born there or not. For instance the births of all the children of Tristram Blish (14) are recorded in Colchester, Conn. The first four of them are known to have been born in Barnstable, Mass., and were recorded there before he moved to Colchester. It is quite probable that at least the two oldest children were born in Connecticut.

Barizillai Little served for a few months as trumpeter in the Conn. Light Horse, under Capt. Joel Loomis and Major Backus. He enlisted 7 Sept. 1776, and was discharged, with the Company, 4 Oct. 1776. In Sept. 1776, this company was ordered to join the army near New York. In Nov. 1776, the following general order was entered: "A relief having come for his Light Horse, under Major Backus, that corps is now dismissed, with the General's hearty thanks for their faithful services and the cheerfulness and alacrity they have shown on all occasions." They were discharged when Washington began his famous retreat from New York through New Jersey.

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. & Ch. Rec., Colch. Tn. Rec., Conn. in the Revolution, and letters of Rev. Chas. Eugene Little.*

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161. JOSEPH[5] BLISH, (BLUSH) JR.

(Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOSEPH[5] Jr. s. of Joseph[4] (47) and Elizabeth (Skinner) Blish, was b. 24 Jany. 1762 at Bolton, Conn. Intentions of his marriage to Sevila Taylor, were published in Middlefield, Mass., 9 Aug. 1784.

CHILDREN.

326.+OLIVER,[6] b. 11 Dec. 1796, at Burlington, Vermont.
327. DANIEL,[6] b. .....

There probably were other children, possibly William, Harvey and Volney.

Joseph[5] Blish Jr. Removed from Connecticut to Middlefield, Mass. with his father, Joseph[4] (47). The exact date is not known, but he was there in 1783, as appears from the following record:

"1783. May 28. Voted that Joseph Leonard and Joseph Blish Jr. be grave diggers or sextons for the ensuing year."

"1785. Mar. 14. Joseph Blish Jr. and Lewis Taylor chosen grave diggers." He soon after left Middlefield and went to Burlington, Vermont, and lived in that vicinity until his death.

"1784. Aug. 9. Intentions of marriage bet. Joseph Blish Jr. and Sevila Taylor was published according to law,
per me, *Solomon Ingham*, T^n Clerk."

Joseph Blish served in Capt. Olcotts Company, in Col. Wolcotts Regt. of Conn. troops in the Revolutionary war. His name appears on a roll dated Winchester, Sept. 25, 1776, and shows that he marched Aug. 19, and was 44 days in service. It is also shown by the records, that he was a private in Capt. Cone's Company, in Col. J. Well's Regt. of Conn. Militia, in the Revolutionary war. His name appears on a roll not dated, but opposite his name appears:-"Marched Aug. 23, 1779; Joined Aug. 26, 1779. Discharged Oct. 26. Days in service, 67."

His descendants claim that he was a revolutionary pensioner, but the records of the Bureau of Pensions show that he applied for a pension Aug. 17th, 1832, by the name of Joseph *Blush*. He was then living at Williston, Vermont. The service claimed in his application is as follows:-

"Fall 1778. 1 mo. Private in Capt. Robert's Co. Conn.

Aug. 1779. 3 mos. Private in Capt. Cone's Co. Col. Wyllys' Regt. Conn.

Aug. 1780. 2 mos. Private in Capt. Ezekiel Olcott's Co., Col. Chapman, Conn.

This record says that he enlisted at Bolton, Conn., and that his claim was rejected "for want of proof of service." The records now in the War Dept. known as the "Record Pension Office" were at the time in a chaotic condition and not available for proof. The fact that he spelled his name *Blush*, while the record says Blish, may

have injured his chances. All of his descendants adhere to the change of spelling. He d. in Jany. 1849 or 1850, He was hale and strong to the last. Went to sleep in his chair and never woke. The story current with his grand-children, is that he walked half a mile, on a bitterly cold day, to visit his daughter, who was surprised to see him in such weather. He sat by the fire-place, while she went to get him a cup of tea, and when she returned he was dead.

References—*Bolton, Conn. Tn. Rec., Middlefield, Mass. Tn. Rec., Hist. of the Conn. Valley, Vol.* 1, *Conn. in the Revolution, Bureau of Pensions and Record Pension Office, Washington, D. C.*

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162. OLIVER[5] BLUSH. (BLISH.)

(Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

OLIVER[5] s. of Joseph[4] (47) and Elizabeth (Skinner) Blish, was b. 28 Mar. 1764, at Bolton, Conn. He m. 1 June 1786, at Middlefield, Mass., Sarah, dtr. of Elisha and Mary (Ellis) Mack. She was b. 6 July, 1767, at Middlefield, Mass. There was no issue of this marriage, but they adopted a

CHILD.

328.+SALLY WHEELER, b. 12 Oct. 1795. She m. Sept, 1815, Orrin Smith of Cumington, Mass., and d. 25 Apr. 1848.

Sarah (Mack) Blush d. 10 July 1818, and he m. (2), 20 Dec. 1820, Mary Field. She outlived him, and d. 28 Oct. 1872, age 89 years.

Oliver Blush was the principal hotel keeper in Middlefield for many years, and his house was the favorite stopping place in the days of stage coaches. The old building is still standing, but considerably altered. The compiler saw it in 1899. It was the occupied by Mrs. Mary Newton, a most estimable lady, as a Post Office and Circulating Library. She was well acquainted with Oliver Blush, and pointed out just how the house was arranged and used by him, including the bar room, which was in those days an indispensible part of every hotel. He was a jovial man, a good story teller and a very popular landlord.

Oliver Blush d. 18 July 1846, and is buried in the old par-

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sonage lot east of the village. The following curious inscriptions appear on the tombstones of him and his first wife:

"In Memory of / Mrs. Sarah Blush / wife of /Mr. Oliver Blush / who died / July 10th. 1818 / Aged 51 years. / Farewell my friends / Tho' you I love / I hope for better / friends above."

In Memory of/Mr. Oliver Blush/who died/July 18, 1846, /AE. 82 yrs. / Farewell my Friends / Dry up your tears / My dust lies here / Till Christ appears."

The Town record gives his occupation at the time of his death as a farmer, and the cause of his death as "old age-paralytic."

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. & Ch. Rec. Mack Gen. and Bolton, Conn. Tn. Rec.*

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163. AMASA[5] BLUSH.

(Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AMASA[5] s. of Joseph[4] (47) and Elizabeth (Skinner) Blish, was b. 29 June 1766, at Bolton, Conn. He m. 3 Feby. 1802, at Middlefield, Mass., Nancy, dtr. of Thomas and Elizabeth ( ) Durant.* She was b. about June 1778.

CHILDREN.

329.+AMASA, Jr.,[6] b. 16 Jany. 1803. d. 24 Jany. 1828, aged 25.
330.+OLIVER,[6] b. 18 Sept. 1806.
331+WILLIAM DURANT,[6] b. 3 Feby. 1809.
332. NANCY ADALNE,[6] b. 22 Sept. 1811.
333. JULIA ANN,[6] b. 9 June 1814. m. *Ira B. Sampson,* 10 June 1834. The Ch. record says *Ina Sampson* and gives the date as June 2nd.
334. WILLIAM CLARK,[6] b. ..... This name is given in the baptismal list, as one of the children of Amasa and Nancy Blush .. The name again occurs in a list of persons liable for military duty, June 1854.

Amasa[5] Blush was the founder of the manufacturing industries at the factory village near Middlefield Centre. He bought

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*Thomas Durant came from Boston to Middlefield. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. He d. 2 Aug. 1831, aged 84. Elizabeth his wife, used to tell her children and grand-children of hearing the cannon at the battle of Bunker Hill. She d. 17 Mar. 1853, at the age of 100 yrs. 9 mos. and 12 days.

the old Herrick clothing mill about 1800 and ran it many years. He built a saw mill on the west side of the river about 1805 and also a new clothing mill for finishing custom work. In 1815 he erected another factory a little below. This building was 36 by 80 feet and three stories high. In this factory his sons William D. and Oliver succeeded him about 1830. The factory was burned in 1850 and rebuilt. This was destroyed in 1874 by the flood caused by the dam giving away, the building being a total wreck. Oliver[6] Blush (330) was the sole owner at the time, his brother William D.[6] having previously withdrawn and established wood-turning works a little below. His building was also destroyed by the flood, and none of them were rebuilt.

Amasa[5] Blush d. according to the inscription on his tombstone, 18 Nov. 1835. The Church-record says Nov. 14. Nancy (Durant) Blish united with the church 3 Sept. 1820. She d. 15 Oct. 1841, aged 63. Both are buried in the West Cemetery near Middlefield.

References—*Bolton, Conn. Tn. Rec., Middlefield, Mass. Tn. & Ch. Rec., Hist. of Conn. Valley, Vol I. and tombstones.*

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165. DEA. DAVID[5] BLISH.

(David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID[5] s. of David[4] (49) and Zeruiah (Skinner) Blish, was b. 16 Sept. 1753, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. ..... Lucy, dtr. of Obadiah and Sarah (Talcott) Wilcox. She was b. 10 Apr. 1753, at Surry, N. H.

CHILDREN.

341.+ANNE,[6] b. 22 July 1776, at Glastonbury, Conn.
342. LUCY,[6] b. 27 Jany. 1778. d. 22 Mar. 1778.
343.+DANIEL,[6] b. 29 Aug. 1780.
344.+LUCY,[6] (2nd.)[6] b. 14 Aug. 1782, at Gilsum, N. H.
345.+HOPE,[6] b. 30 July 1784, at Gilsum, N. H.
346.+DAVID,[6] b. 1 Nov. 1786, at Gilsum, N. H.
347.+ZERUIAH,[6] b. 16 June 1789, at Gilsum, N. H.
348.+DEMIS,[6] b. 30 June 1791, at Gilsum N. H.
349.+JOHN,[6] b. 21 Mar. 1793, at Gilsum, N. H.
350. MILLICENT,[6] b. 17 Aug. 1799, at Gilsum, N. H. m. 1 Dec. 1814 *Jonathan Webster*, M. D. at Gilsum. Lived at Willsboro, Penn.

David[5] Blish was a very forceful man and active in all public matters in Gilsum, N. H. He was one of the leaders in the Church, which seems to have been informally organized, at first. He was early, 1694, chosen one of the Deacons, which office he held during his life. A new church building was begun in 1789, but was not finished until 1793, although meetings were held in it from 1790.

1789. Nov. 5. Twenty Pounds, in labor, was voted for underpinning the church, and Ebenezer Kilbourn, Ebenezer Bill, Ebenezer Dart, Samuel Whitney and David Blish were made a committee to see to the work.

In those days it was customary to tax every citizen for the support of the church, and it was not an unusual occurence for some one to refuse to pay the tax. In July, 1802, Jehiel Holdredge, David Blish and Zadoc Hurd were appointed at Town Meeting, to stand suit with a prominent citizen, who refused to pay his "minister tax," and one hundred dollars was voted to carry on the suit. They were evidently contending for a principle, as the tax could not amount to a tithe of the amount voted to carry on the suit. The contest, however seems to have increased, until it became a reproach to the church, and this tax was gradually allowed to lapse. In 1816 forty men of Gilsum, among whom was Deacon David Blish, obtained a charter for a Congregational Society. Before this, however, the Methodists had organized a society, (1801). Meetings were first held at private houses, and for a time in Dea. Kilbourn's barn. Rev. Elijah Hedding, later Bishop Hedding, preached her in 1806, and four years later married Lucy, dtr. of Dea. David Blish. Nearly all of Dea. Blish's family went over to the Methodist church, and we find Anna, David Jr., John, Lucy and Zeruiah Blish and even Lucy, his wife, in the ranks of the early Methodists. The Kilbourn family went over in a body. Deacon Blish stuck to the Congregational church, and in 1819, William Mack was chosen in his place, he having died.

Extracts from the Gilsum, N. H. Town records.

1794. "Voted to sell the School Rite of Land Belongin to the Town. Mr. Saml. Whitney, John Mark, Zadoc Hurd and David Blish to be a Committee to sell s[d] Land." The

first school houses were probably built that year as we find the following: "Voted to raise one hundred and twenty lb. to Bild four schoolhouses in the town; one in Each Destrick. Chose Capt. holdredge, James Ballard, timothy Dart, Jesse Dart, Capt. kilboern, David Adams, David Blish, Samuel Bill and Capt. Fuller a Committee to serv the Destricks for Bilding S^d houses."

(The need of schoolhouses is apparent on the record.)

1798. "Voted that David Blish ceep the notes Recd. for the School Rite" Chose Capt, Hurd, Majah Bill, David Blish a Committee to take care of the money Recd. for School Rite."

1804. Aug. The repairs on two bridges were put up at public "vandue" and the "Bridge by Griswold's Mills" was bid off by David Blish, at sixteen dollars.

David[5] Blish held many Town offices.

He was Moderator at the Town Metings of 1805-7-8-12 13-14-16.

He was Tithing-man 1789, 1806-14-16-17.

He was Town Treasurer from 1791 to 1794.

He was Town Clerk for nine years.

He was Selectman 1787, 1792-6-7-9, 1801-4-7-8-9-13-14.

He was Justice of the Peace from 1790 to 1815.

He was Representative in the Legislature for Gilsum & Surry 1795, 1801, 1803, 1813 and 1815.

In New England everybody rode on horseback until some time after the beginning of the eighteenth century. The women had side-saddles and rode by themselves, or oftener behind father, brother, husband, or lover, on a pillion, holding on with one arm around him, Every door-yard had a "horse-block" from which to mount. The first wheeled carriage in this section was owned by Dr. Adams, of Keene, N. H. Deacon Blish got one about the same time (1810).

The people ridiculed them, and said it was terrible for the horses. It was a common saying that hauling a buggy was like "dragging a cat by the tail."

It is related that Capt. David Fuller had an encounter with a bear on Surry mountain. He shot and the animal fell. The Capt. thinking him dead, incautiously approached without reloading his gun, when the bear suddenly recovered and attacked him. He

fled and climbed a tree, wher the bear guarded him until his cries brought assistance. The bear then fled, running past where Squire David Blish was at work in a clearing, axe in hand. Seeing the bear close upon him he *dropped his axe* and *looked for a club*. This was a standing joke on the Deacon for many years. The bear got away.

Lucy Wilsox Blish was a great reader and very fond of society and dress. Some of her silks are still preserved by members of the family. Her father Obadiah Wilcox was b. in Conn. July 1724. d. Surry, N. H. 20 Feb 1810. Her mother, Sarah Talcott was b. in Conn. Mar. 1734. d. Surry, N. H. 21 Sept. 1809.

Dea. David[5] Blish d. 5 Dec. 1817, at Gilsum, N. H. and is buried there. The inscription on his tombstone reads as follows:

Erected in Memory of. / DAVID BLISH ESQr. / who died Dec. 5th. 1817 / In the 65th. year of his age. / The dead shall be raised incorruptible.

"Lo, where this silent marble weeps,
A friend, a father and a husband sleeps;
A heart within whose sacred cell,
The peaceful virtues loved to dwell."

Lucy (Wilcox) Blish d. 20 Dec. 1843, at Lawrenceville, St. Lawrence Co. N. Y. in her 90th, year. The Christian Advocate for Decr. 1843, contained the following:- "Died. Dec. 20, 1843, at Lawrenceville, N. Y., at the residence of David Blish Jr., Lucy, wife of the late David Blish and mother of the wife of Bishop Hedding, in the 90th. year of her age. After having lived and served God for so many years in the Church on earth, she has been removed to the Church in Heaven."

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Taintor's Colch. Conn. Rec., Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H., Talcott Genealogy.*

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169. DEA. THOMAS[5] BLISH.

(David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

Thomas[5] s. of David[4] (49) and Zeruiah (Skinner) Blish, was b. 13 Sept. 1762 in Gastonbury, Conn. He m. 21 Sept. 1785, Prudence dtr. of Elizur and Abigail (Hollister) Hubbard, and sis-

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IN GLASTONBURY, CONN.

ter of Capt. Elizur Hubbard of Revolutionary fame. She was b. 23 Apr. 1767, in Glastonbury, Conn.

CHILDREN.

371.+AARON HUBBARD,[6] b. 31 July 1786.
372.+DOROTHY,[6] b. 8 Apr. 1789.
373.+SYLVESTER,[6] b. 31 Dec. 1790. Bap. 20 Mar. 1791.
374.+ADALINE PAMELIA,[6] b. 7 Aug. 1808. Bap. 23 Oct. 1808.

Thomas Blish

Thomas[5] Blish was a tall man of good figure, with light hair and blue eyes, and while a man of very even temper, he was very firm in his opinions. His wife, Prudence was a small woman, of dark complexion, black hair and snapping black eyes. She was nervous, fiery and high strung, and the very anthesis of her husband.

Thomas[5] Blish was a farmer, owning several hundred acres of land in Eastbury, which means East Glastonbury.

1790. Mar. 29. "Thomas and Prudence Blish renewed their baptismal covenant."
1793. Dec. 9. Was chosen one of the haywards of the Town.
1796. Dec. 11. Was chosen Tithingman, and again in 1797.
1800. Nov. 3. Was chosen surveyor of highways and also one of the listers.
1806. Oct. 29. "Dr. Joseph Hall was given liberty to set up Inoculation in this Town under direction of the Selectmen." This entry will call to mind the vigorous opposition to vaccination, or "inoculation" as it was first called, as a preventive of small-pox. Dr. Edward Jenner had announced his discovery in England, in 1798, and it was violently condemned both by the physicians and the clergy. The good people of Glastonbury seem to have been disposed to let Dr. Hall *try it,* "under the direction of the Selectmen.")
1811. Nov. 1. Again chosen hayward.
1813. June 4. "Brother Thomas Blish and Appleton Holms were chosen a committee to let out the Churches moneys now on hand."
1819. Sept. 22. "At the adjourned meeting from our last sacra-

mental lecture, the Church were led to a choice of a deacon, and they made choice of brother Thomas Blish.

1819. Nov. 3. "The Church met according to adjournment. Meeting opened by a lecture. Mr. Thomas Blish gave answer and accepted the Deacons office in this Church. Meeting was then adjourned to our next sacramental lecture." He held this office during the remainder of his life. He had a still on his farm, and made apple brandy and rum. In those days liquors were kept on the sideboard, in every house. As the minister went by, on a cold day, on his way to church, it was not uncommon to call him in and give him a glass of hot toddy. Barrels of hard cider were in every cellar, and were seldom allowed to spoil. About 1828 a temperance movement was started, and waged with such vigor, that it threatened to disrupt some of the congregations. The old Eastbury church was drawn into the conflict. Deacon Goslee and many of the members espoused the temperence cause, while Deacon Blish and others opposed it. Much bitterness was exhibited, but finally better counsels prevailed and harmony restored.

Thomas[5] Blish d. 15 Apr. 1831, and is buried in the East Cemetery, which is south of his old farm.

1831. Apr. 20. Administration was granted on his estate to Prudence Blish, widow, and Sylvester Blish, son of the deceased. Bond of $5000 was given, with David E. Hubbard as surety, and David E. Hubbard and Roger[5] Blish were Appointed as appraisers. Six months limit was allowed to creditors.

Prudence Blish

Prudence, the widow remained with her son, Sylvester, until he removed to Wethersfield, Illinois, in 1837. She followed in 1838, and we find the following entry in the church records. "At the request of widow Prudence Blish, the Church voted to give her a letter of dismission and recommendation."

She remained in Wethersfield, Illinois for a time and then went to Rockton Ills. to live with her daughter, Dorothy Talcott, where she remained until her death, which occured in 1848.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Eastbury Ch. Rec.*

172. AARON[5] BLISH.

(David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AARON[5] s. of David[4] (49) and Zeruiah (Skinner) Blish, was b. 21 Oct. 1768, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. ..... Roxanna, dtr. of .....Webster, and she was born 29 July 1774.

CHILDREN.

381. FRANCES,[6] b. 22 Nov. 1792, in Glastonbury, Conn.
382.+NOVATUS,[6] b. 3 Apr. 1795.
383.+ARISTARCHUS,[6] b. 21 Mar. 1797.
384.+RODERIC SKINNER,[6] b. 21 July 1800.
385. HENRY M.[6] b. 30 Oct. 1802. d. 21 Apr. 1827.
386. SOPHIA L.[6] b. 11 Mar. 1805. m. *Burr Gould.*
387. SALLY T.[6] b. 13 Sept. 1807. m. *Sellick Gould.*
388.+ALMIRA S.[6] b. 15 July 1811 m. *Harrison French.*
389. LEWIS J.[6] b. 1 Mar. 1813. d. 4 Aug. 1834.
390.+EMILY,[6] b. 2 June 1816. m. *Bethuel Sutherland.*

Aaron[5] Blish after his marriage removed to New York State. He first settled on the river by the flouring mill below Kortright, He remained there for twenty years or more; then sold out and went into the Genesee Valley, near Rochester, intending to settle there, but hearing of the new Ohio country, he went out prospecting. While in Ohio he contracted fever and ague, and soon repented his venture. He returned to the Genesee Valley, but finding his ague no better there he returnd to Delaware county, and bought land on Rose's Brook, where he remained until his death. He was a farmer all his lifetime. He was a large man of commanding appearance, and of sterling character.

The exact date when he left Connecticut is not known, but it must have been early, as only one entry is found in the Town records of Glastonbury mentioning his name.

1792. Dec. 10. "John Case, Saml. Stratton 3rd. George Hunt, Roger Hollister and Aaron Blish chosen collectors of Town taxes."

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Hist. Delaware Co. N. Y., Whitney Family Genealogy, Letters of Norvatus M. Blish* (382.)

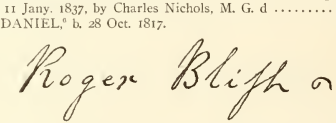
173. ROGER[5] BLISH.

(David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ROGER[5] s. of David[4] (49) and Zeruiah (Skinner) Blish, was b. 23 May 1770, in Glastonbury, Conn. He m. ..... Demis, dtr. of Daniel and Mary (.....) Hosford. She was bap. in 1772.

CHILDREN.

400. HARRIET,[6] b. 7 July 1795. d. 26 Oct. 1803.
401. AMELIA,[6] b. 14 June 1797. m. *Henry Brainard,* N d. ..... Aug. 1866.
402. PRUDENCE HUBBARD,[6] b. 5 Apr. 1799 m. *Howell Root,* farmer. 5 June 1850.
403.+AUGUSTUS,[6] b. 20 Aug. 1801.
404.+AARON HOSFORD,[6] b. 3 Nov. 1803.
405.+CHAUNCY,[6] b. 4 Dec. 1807.
406. MARY,[6] b. 25 Sept. 1810.
407.+HARRIET ELIZA,[6] b. 9 Aug. 1812.
408. ZERUIAH ANN,[6] b. 17 July 1814. m. to *Isaac Bigelow Buell,* 11 Jany. 1837, by Charles Nichols, M. G. d ..... Feb. 1861.
409.+DANIEL,[6] b. 28 Oct. 1817.



1793. Dec. 9. Was chosen one of the tax collectors of the Town.
1796. Dec. 12. Chosen one of the Town listers.
1797. Dec. 1. Chosen surveyor of highways, and again in 1802.
1807. Jany. 7. Roger Blish gave his father and mother a bond in the sum of $2000..."The condition of the obligation is such, that if the said Roger Blish shall during the term of their and each of their natural lives, furnish the said David Blish and Zeruiah Blish, with whatever shall be necessary (in addition to the use of property this day leasd by said Roger to said David,) to their honorable and comfortable support, and also honorably and comfortably support his sister Anne Blish, for the full term of ten years from the next after the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seven, then this obligation to be void and of no effct; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

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IN MARLBOROUGH, CONN.

In witness wherof I have set my hand the day and date aforesaid.

Roger Blish."

Roger Blish and Demas, his wife, united with the Church at Marlboro' 13 Oct. 1817. Roger Dimmis and Prudence Blish, are on the list of church members in 1828, and Prudence Blish and Mary L. Blish on the list for 1831. All of the children except Daniel were baptized 22 June, 1817.

1827. Jany. 16. "Capt. Theodore Lord, Deac^{n} David Skinner and RogerBlish were made a committee for the purpose of calling a council for the dismission of the Pastor."

1838. Apr. 4. Roger Blish filed a petition showing that Joanna Blish had been appointed gurdian of her daughters Sarah and Adaline, June 2nd. 1835, and that the estate of said minors was being wasted by reason of the neglect of said guardian. She was cited to appear, and on hearing was removed and Elmon Strong was appointed in her stead, Apr. 14, 1838, and gave bond with Roger Blish as surety.

He was one of the appraisers in the estate of Thomas Blish, and Aaron Hubbard^{6} Blish. He was a friend and neighbor of Thaddeus Wells, father of Gideon Wells, who was afterwards Secretary of the Navy under President Lincoln. Both were appointed to divide the real estate of Aaron Hubbard^{6} Blish among his heirs.

Like all of this family, Roger Blish was a large man physically but better than this, was a man of unswerving honesty and fearless in the discharge of what he believed to be his duty. The course he pursued in the matter of his nephew Aaron Hubbard^{8} Blish's children exhibits this quality.

He died 27 Dec. 1856, in Marlboro, and his remains are interreed at Marlboro Centre; his wife, Demis having died 6 Feby. of the same year.

In his will dated 19 Jany. 1854, he gives to his wife Demis the use of one-third of his real estate during life and all of his furniture "to her own use and dispose." Gives to son Daniel, all his lands lying in the Town of Glastonbury, called the "Bayley lot," also all farming tools and other personal property; to daughter Amelia Brainard, daughter Prudence H. Root and son Augustus, $220, each; to son Aaron H. Blish and son Chauncey, $400, each; to daughter Mary Lord $220; to Grand-daughters Harriet

and Helen Carrier, $200; to daughter Zeruiah Buell $220; "the above legacies to be paid to my son Daniel in two years after my decease.'

This will was probated 26 Jany. 1857. The Inventory mentions 255 acres of land, with buildings. Daniel[6] Blish administered the estate, and also settled the estate of Demis Blish, his mother, in June 1857.

References—*Colchester, Conn. Tn. Rec., Marlboro, Conn. Prob. Tn. and Ch. Rec. Hartford, Conn. Prob. Rec. and Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec.*

SIXTH GENERATION.

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255. MERCY[6] BLISH CROCKER.

(Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MERCY,[6] dtr. of Joseph[5] (75) and Sarah (Crocker) Blish was b. 4 May 1758, at West Barnstable, Mass. She was m. to Winslow s. of Daniel and Phebe (Winslow) Crocker. He was b. 31 Dec. 1755.

CHILDREN.

II. REBECCA[7] CROCKER, b. 10 Jany. 1785. d. unmarried, 8 May 1814.
I. PHEBE[7] CROCKER, b. 9 Mar. 1781. m. *Alvan Crocker.*
III. SOPHIA[7] CROCKER, b. 26 Dec. 1786. d. unm. 12 Nov. 1819.
IV. WATSON[7] CROCKER, b. 4 Sept. 1788. m. *Damaris Crocker* & (2) *Hannah Nye.*
V. GEORGE[7] CROCKER, b. 7 Dec. 1791. m. *Alice Hoxie* d. 10 Mar. 1823.
VI. ARTHUR BLISH[7] CROCKER, b. 29 July 1794. m. *Eliza Wheldon* & (2) *Elmira Parks.*
VII. EDWARD WINSLOW[7] CROCKER, b. 29 June 1798. m. *Sally Sears.* d. 1 Mar. 1865.

Winslow Crocker was a descendant of Dea. William and his wife Alice of Scituate, 1636.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Freeman's Cape Cod, and Winslow Gen.*

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228. ELIZABETH[6] (BLISH) MARSTON.

(Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1]

ELIZABETH,[6] dtr. of Joseph[5] (75) and Sarah (Crocker) Blish, was b. 31 July 1765, at West Barnstable, Mass. The bans for her marriage were published 20 May 1786, and she was m. to Winslow, s. of Prince and Sarah (Winslow) Marston, 22 July 1786, by the Rev. Oakes Shaw. He was b. 1 June 1764.

CHILDREN.

I. Hon. NYMPHAS MARSTON,[7] b. 1 Feb. 1788. He graduated at Harvard Uuniv. in 1807, was a member of the Mass. Senate, Judge of Probate and leader of the Barnstable Co. bar.
II. MARY MARSTON,[7] b. 28 June 1790. m. *Luther Hinckley, D. D.*
III. Hon. CHARLES MARSTON,[7] b. 21 July 1792. Was also State Senator and High Sheriff.
IV. PRENTICE MARSTON,[7] b. 22 Mar. 1795. d. 7 Nov. 1814.
V. PHEBE MARSTON,[7] b. 28 June 1799, d. 22 Dec. 1804.

Winslow Marston, at his marriage, settled in Barnstable on the farm of his uncle, Nymphas Marston, which was devised to him by his said uncle, as his adopted son. He was a man of distinguished virtues, a deacon in the church and quite wealthy. He was a descendant of John Marston, who came to Salem, Mass. from Ormsby, Town of Yarmouth, England, in the ship "Rose of Yarmouth."

John Marston was registered as "servant to widow Mary Moulton, age 20 years."

He m. Alice Eden, who came over in the same ship and from the same place. He was a carpenter by trade.

Winslow Marston d. 10 Dec. 1857 according to Barnstable records though the Marston Genealogy has the date 6 Jany. 1852.

Elizabeth, his wife, d. 5 Aug. 1837.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec. Freeman's Cape Cod, Winslow Gen.* & *Marston Gen.*

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229. MAJOR JOSEPH[6] BLISH JR.

(Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MAJOR JOSEPH[6] s. of Lieut. Joseph[5] (75) and Sarah (Crocker) Blish, was b. 9 Sept. 1767, at West Barnstable, Mass. He was m. 5 June 1789, to Temperance, dtr. of the Rev. Oakes Shaw, of Great Marshes, and a sister of Chief Justice Shaw of Boston. She was b. 16 Sept. 1767.

CHILDREN.

420.+JOSEPH,[7] b. 14 Apr. 1790.
421.+CHARLES,[7] b. 12 Apr. 1792.
422.+GEORGE,[7] b. 5 June 1794.

423. EBENEZER,[7] b. 18 July 1796. d. Apr. 1823. in Newburg, S. Carolina, unmarried.
424.+OAKES SHAW,[7] b. 16 Mar. 1798.
425. ELIZA WELD,[7] b. 25 Jany. 1800. m. *Nymphas Marston*, her cousin.
426. TEMPERANCE SHAW,[7] b. 30 Nov. 1801. d. 16 Apr. 1824.
427. HANNAH,[7] b. 7 Aug. 1803. d. 28 Mar. 1826.
428.+TIMOTHY,[7] b. 20 June 105.
429. FREDERICK WILLIAM,[7] b. 26 Mar. 1807. He was drowned in the Kennebec river, 27 June 1832, while bathing. He was a student in the Waterville college at the time.

Joseph Blish and his wife were members of the West Church, and all their children from Joseph to Eliza were baptized in Oct, 1800. Temperance was bap. in Apr. 1802, and Hannah in Sept. 1803.

Joseph Blish Jrs. mark for his creatures is recorded as "a slit in the right ear and a half crop fore side of the left ear," the same as was his father's.

1797. He was Brigade Major in the Mass. militia.
1797. He was school agent, and again in 1798, 1801, 1802, 1806 and 1811.
1798. He was surveyor of highways, and gain in 1800, 1806 and 1815.
1802. He was one of the Regulators of Herring river.
1802. Apr. "Voted that a committee be appointed to examine into the account of several persons for affording assistance to Lemuel Thomas when he was sick with small-pox, and report at next meeting." Joseph Blish Jr., David Parker and Josiah Sampson Esq. selected.
1802. Was chosen on committee to settle with the Town treasurer, in place of Ebenezer Bacon, excused. Was again on same com. in 1803, 1807, 1809, 1811 and 1813
1803. Mar. 16. "Voted to choose a committee to draught an act or BuyLaw to regulate the kitching of herring * * * at or near Marston's Mills." Joseph Blish Jr. was on the committee.
"Voted that the Town approve of an Academies being built in this Town, provided a sufficient sum to Intitle said Town to a grant of half a township of land can be obtained by subscription for that purpose." Joseph Blish Jr., Isaiah Green, Esquire Scudder and Esquire Crocker, choen a committee to obtain subscriptions."

1803. May, last Wednesday." The com. chosen at a former meeting to obtain subscriptions for the Academy, reported that a sufficient sum had been subscribed, and the Town voted that a committee be appointed to petition the General Court that an Academy be established in this Town." Holmes Allen, John Davis, Ebenezer Bacon, Josiah Sampson Esp. Joseph Blish Jr. and Jabez Howland, chosen.

1804. Mar. 12. Joseph Blish Jr. chosen one of the wood-corders. "Voted to allow Joseph Blish Jr. one dollar and seventy-five cents for his time and expenses inattending on the committee of the General Court respecting the Academy, as per his account settled."

He was also put on a committee to view certain premises on the common, proposed to be sold.

May 10. Was on a committee to view a road prayed for and make an estimate of the expenses of laying it out and report thereon.

Oct. 9. He was chosen Moderator of the Town Meeting, "for the remaining business." He was also Moderator in 1808, 1809, 1810, 1814, and 1815.

1804. "The committee reported concerning a dispute about the common lands, and were not agreed respecting the eastern line, and another committee was appointed to settle and adjust the disputes with the occupants and claimants," Joseph Blish Jr. was one of the committee.

1807. Feb. 11. "Rev. Oakes Shaw departed this life in the 71st. year of his age, and the 47th. of his ministry. Enoch Pratt called 21 Sept. 1807.

Meeting called, Joseph Blish moderator. Voted to invite all churches in this county to the ordination of Rev. Enoch Pratt, Committee of invitation, David Parker, Eben^r Crocker Esqr Major J. Blish and Prince Jenkins.

Oct. 12. "Voted to make a brick magazine for to keep the Towns powder, camp kettles, etc. six feet the walls; reconsidered, and voted to build a magazine with bricks and to choose a committee of three persons to build a magazine, such an one as they think proper and put the same where they think proper." Joseph Blish Jr. Doct^r Whitman and David Parker Esqr were chosen.

1809. Apr. 5. Joseph Blish Jr. was chosen Justice of the Peace. May 22. "We the subscribers, the Selectmen of the Towns of Barnstable and Sandwich, and Joseph Blish

Esquire, being appointed surveyor, having been notified to perambulate on and renew the line between said Towns according to the law of the Comonwealth in such cases made and provided, met this day and perambulated on the line and renewed the bounds between the said Towns from the northermost boundary to the plantation of Mashpey, to a stake and heap of stones known by the name of the "five mile stake." Dated at Barnstable, this 22nd. day of May, 1809.

Richard Lewis. *Benjamin Percival.*
John Bodfish. Selectman of Sandwich,
John Lewis.
Selectmen of Barnstable, *Joseph Blish Jr.* Surveyor,

1810. Apr. 2. He was on a committee to draft a by-law concerning the yarding of sheep in certain seasons,
Mar. 12. Was on a committee to report a by-law concerning the catching of herring.
"Edward Phinney asked permission to erect a shop on the common lands belonging to the Town, near the north Meeting House and opposite to where James J. Lathrop's shop now stands, on request of ten freeholders." Referred to a special committee, of which Joseph Blish Jr. was one.

1811. Nov. 4. Was on a committee to petition the Legislature to reduce the number of representatives.

1814. Sept. 9. "Voted that a Committee of Safety be chosen, whose duty it shall be to immediately take measures for the defense of the Town; to confer with the Town of Yarmouth and adjacent Towns, and know explicitly whether it is their determination to resist the demands of the enemy, in event of which, to proffer needed assistance of this Town, under the direction of the military authorities, in case of an attack, and expecting in return the same assistance from them." Joseph Blish Jr. was on the committee.

Joseph Blish Jr. was a surveyor, and frequently called upon to lay out lines; was also a trader and had salt works. He died 14 Oct. 1849, at the age of 82 years. His wife, Temperance, died 20 Aug. 1854, age 87.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec. and Barn. Ch. Rec.*

234. OWEN[6] BLISH or BLISS.

(Benjamin,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

OWEN[6] s. of Benjamin[5] (81) and Susannah (Baxter) Blish, was b. 5 Nov. 1773, at Barnstable, Mass. He m. ..... 1795, Sarah Crowell. She was b. 19 May 1777.

CHILDREN.

430. BENJAMIN,[7] b. 12 Feb. 1795. He was a sailor and is believed to have d. at Tampico, Mexico, in 1837. Family unknown.

431. +OWEN, Jr.,[7] b. 4 Oct. 1797.

432. SUSAN,[7] b. 16 Mar. 1800. m. (1) *William Eddy*, of Pawtucket, R. I. (2) *Albro Anthony*, of Providence, R. I. and (3) *David Wheeler* of Mass. She d. in August, 1871, at Olneyville, R. I.

433. ABBY,[7] b. 28 Mar. 1803. m. 17 Oct. 1841, *Darius Angell*, of Providence, R. I. and (2) *Ezra Humes*, of the same place. She d. in Providence in Dec. 1868.

434. SALLY,[7] b. 15 Sept. 1805. m. *Sylvanus Jagger*, of Centerville, Mass., where she d. 20 July 1856.

435. EUNICE LOVELL,[7] b. 13 Oct. 1807. d. in Providence, 23 Mar. 1871, unmarried.

436. ISAIAH CROWELL,[7] b. 24 Feb. 1810. He went to sea when only twelve years old. He first sailed with Capt. Tucker, who ran a large schooner between Providence and the West Indies. He next sailed with Capt. Allen, who traded between Providence and Mexico, taking in the West Indies. He also worked with the Allens, four in number, who ran what was known as the Philadelphia line of packets. When the "Kingstonian," a sloop of war, was built in Philadelphia, and the Mexican government failed to produce the money to purchase her, the Russian consul at Philadelphia was so well pleased with the vessel, that he induced the Russian Emperor to buy her. Isaiah Bliss was one of the crew who took her to Russia. The Emperor made a personal visit to the ship and declared he was well pleased with her. He gave a banquet to the officers and crew of the Kingstonian and presented each sailor with twenty dollars. There was also sent over on the Kingstonian a small pleasure boat made largely of mahogany, as a present from the builders of the sloop to the young son of the Emperor. After his return he enlisted in the United States Navy. The records at Washington show that he enlisted 19 Feby. 1855, for three years, and served on board the "North Carolina," "Perry" and the "Dolphin," to July, 1857. He re-enlisted at Boston, Mass. 14 Aug. 1857, for three years, and served on the "Ohio" and the "Merrimac," to 15 Feb. 1860. He again enlisted at Boston, 25 Apr. 1860, for three years and served on the "Ohio" and the "Susquehanna" to May 16 1863, when he was honorably discharged. At the storming of Port Royal, while on board the Susquehanna his hearing was impair-

ed by the terrible concussion, and he retired on a pension. His relatives say that he also served on board the "Columbus" during the Mexican war, and afterwards on board the "Mississippi," under Commodore Perry, during his famous expedition to Japan. He m. 23 Sept. 1872, Lorana, dtr. of Benjamin and Sabra Cornell, of Providence. She was b. 14 June 1813. His latter years were spent in quietness, and he delighted in recounting his numerous adventures on the sea. He outlived his wife and d. 9 Aug. 1886, at the home of his brother Abraham, in Providence, sitting in his chair. It is said that none of this family died in bed.

437. TIMOTHY,[7] b. 8 Oct. 1812. He m. *Charlotte Medbury;* was a sailor and was robbed and murdered at San Francisco, Calif. in Feb. 1851. His widow m. *John Stoothoff,* a farmer, of Mansfield, Mass.

438.+ ABRAHAM,[7] b. 18 June 1817.

Owen Bliss d. 19 Oct. 1820, at Boston, Mass. His wife, Sarah, d. 1 Sept. 1853, at Providence R. I. and is buried in Swan Point cemetery.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., Bliss Gen. Appendix, and Rec. Pension Office.*

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240. PATIENCE[6] BLISH SNOW.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

PATIENCE[6] dtr. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish was b. 13 July 1774, at Barnstable, Mass. She m. ..... Snow.

CHILDREN.

I. PAULINE SNOW,[7] b. .....
II. CALVIN SNOW, b. ..... m. Annie Doe.
III. JAMES SNOW,[7] b. .....
IV. CYNTHIA SNOW,[7] b. .....
V. HANNAH SNOW,[7] b. .....
VI. EFFIE SNOW,[7] b. ..... m. Stacy Parker.
VII. SAMUEL SNOW,[7] b. .....
VIII. DAN SNOW,[7] b. .....
IX. ALETHEA SNOW,[7] b. .....
X. BETSEY SNOW,[7] b. .....
XI. MARY SNOW,[7] b. .....

241. HANNAH[6] BLISH BALLARD.

HANNH[6] dtr. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish, was b. 29 Dec. 1776, at Barnstable, Mass. She m. ..... Ballard.

CHILDREN.

I. DANIEL BALLARD,[7] b.
II. CALVIN BALLARD,[7] b.
III. SANFORD BALLARD,[7] b.
IV. EMILY BALLARD,[7] b.
V. LAURA BALLARD,[7] b.
VI. ELIZABETH BALLARD,[7] b.
VII. SARAH BALLARD,[7] b. ..... m..... Wood.
VIII. LUCY BALLARD,[7] b.

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242. REBECCA[6] BLISH WINSLOW.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joeph,[2] Abraham.[1])) ·

REBECCA[6] dtr. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish was b. 10 June 1778, at Barnstable, Mass. She m. 15 July 1804, Stephen, s. of William Winslow. He was b. 18 June 1782, at Falmouth, Me.

CHILDREN.

I. GEORGE WASHINGTON WINSLOW,[7] b. 16 Feby. 1805, at Portland, Me.
II. ELIZABETH WINSLOW,[7] b. 14 Aug. 1808, at Vassalboro, Me.
III. HENRY PETRE WINSLOW,[7] b. 26 Feby. 1810, at Vassalboro, Me.
IV. HARRISON GRAY OTIS WINSLOW,[7] b. 26 Aug. 1811, at Harlem, Me.
V. ABIGAIL A. WINSLOW,[7] b. 9 Oct. 1813 or 1815, at Augusta, Me.
VI. EUNICE ELLEN WINSLOW,[7] b. 20 Apr. 1817.
VII. SARAH WINSLOW,[7] b. 14 Oct. 1820. m. ..... *Wheeler.*

Stephen Winslow was a carpenter and builder. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. He d. 1 Jany. 1865, at Augusta, Me. Rebecca, his wife d. 19 Oct. 1835, same place. Stephen Winslow was a descendant of Kenelm Winslow, who was b. 29 Apr. 1599, and came to Plymouth, Mass., in 1629.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec., and Winslow Gen.*

243. JOHN[6] BLISH.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN[6] s. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish, was b. 16 Apr. 1780, at Barnstable, Mass. He m. ....., Sarah Farnsworth. She was b. 4 Dec. 1784.

CHILDREN.

468.+DANIEL,[7] b. 2 Feby. 1805.
469. JANE,[7] b. 16 Jany. 1807. d. 28 Mar. 1837.
470. BETSEY,[7] b. 23 Nov. 1808. m. *Robert Alley* of Vassalboro, d. 1872 at Sherburn, Mass.
471.+ALDEN,[7] b. 12 Mar. 1811.
472.+ARTHUR,[7] b. 22 Nov. 1812.
473.+JOHN Jr.[7] b. 24 Oct. 1817.
474.+SAMUEL,[7] b. 17 Feby. 1820.
475. HANNAH,[7] b. 4 Aug. 1822. d. 26 Aug. 1824.

John[6] Blish[7] d. 23 Mar. 1843, at East Vassalborough, Me. and is buried in the Friend's Cemetery. Sarah, his wife, d. 4 Mar. 1853, and is buried in the same place.

References—*Vassalborough, Me. Tn. Rec.*

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244. BETSEY[6] BLISH HOYT.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joeph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BETSEY[6] dtr. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish, was b. 24 Apr. 1783, at Vassalborough, Me. Her m. was published, 6 June 1803, to Samuel, s. of Jabez and Abigail (Hazelton) Hoyt. He was b. 10 Feby. 1781.

CHILDREN.

I. EMILY BLISH HOYT,[7] b. 12 Dec. 1804. She m. 13 Mar 1823, an *Ingram* or *Ingraham*, and d. 30 Sept. 184, at New Orleans, La.
II. HARRIET HAZELTON HOYT,[7] b. 4 Jany. 1806.
III. ANN CUTTS HOYT,[7] b. 27 Aug. 1808.
IV. JOHN QUINCY ADAMS HOYT,[7] b. 10 Apr. 1810.

Samuel Hoyt was a midshipmen on the U. S. ship "Portsmouth," and at one time held a Lieutenants commission in the U.

S. Navy. He was a clerk in the Post Office Dept. at Washington, from 1811 to 1815, and escaped the city with Pres. Madison when the British burned the capitol. In 1815 he was appointed post master at Marietta, Ohio, then the only distributing office for several States and territories. In 1818 he was Genl. Mail Agent for the western States, and located at Port Gibson, Miss. In 1830 he went to Matagorda, Texas, where he d. 1 Oct. 1835. His wife Betsey d. 4 Oct. 1823, at Port Gibson. Samuel Hoyt was a descendant of John Hoyt of Salisbury, Mass., 1639.

References—*Hoyt Genealogy.*

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246. JAMES[6] BLISH.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joeph,[2] Abraham.[1])

Capt. JAMES[6] s. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish, was b. 13 Dec. 1787, at Vassalborough, Me. He was m. to Paulina Baxter Jr. 17 Oct. 1813, at Barnstable, Mass. by Rev. Barnabas Bates. She was b. 11 Apr. 1793.

CHILDREN.

480. SARAH JANE,[7] b. 6 July 1814. m. *Phineas Pratt.*
481. EDWIN JAMES,[7] b. 21 Mar. 1816. He was a shipmaster in the coast andWest Indies trade, and d. unm. in New Orleans, about 1841.
482. HARRIET EMELINE,[7] b. 25 Dec. 1817. m. *Noah Woods,* a lawyer, of Gardiner, Me.
483. MARY PAULINA,[7] b. 16 Jany. 1820. m. *Stacy Lewis.*
484. CAROLINE AGRY,[7] b. 11 Feb. 1822. m. *Dr. McKendrick Tucker.*
485.+BYRON SAMUEL,[7] b. 16 Apr. 1827.
486. FRANCIS STACY,[7] b. 16 June 1831. d. 16 Jany. 1832.

Paulina, the first wife of Capt. James Blish d. .... and he m. 2nd.*Isabella Jose.* She was b. 13 Apr. 1804.

CHILD of 2nd. marriage.

487.+HANNAH FRANCIS,[7] b. 26 Aug. 1835. (?)

Capt. James Blish was a well known ship-master and lived at Hallowell, Me.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec.*

249. WILLIAM[6] BLISH.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM[6] s. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish, was b. 3 Aug. 1784, at Vassalborough, Me. He m. ..... Sept. 1818, Katharine Luce. She was b. ..... at Vineyard Haven, Me.

CHILDREN.

488. ABRA WASHBURN,[7] b. 30 Apr. 1821. m. *Capt. William West* 1842. Capt. West d. in 1860 and his wife in 1876, no issue surviving.
489. +HARRIET ANN HOIT,[7] b. ..... 1821.
490. EMILY INGRAHAM,[7] b. 29 Nov. 1826. d. May 1844, unmarried.
491. SARAH HOLMES,[7] b. 29 Apr. 1829. m. 1850, Capt. *James Peakes* and both were lost at sea, in 1856. No issue.
492. WEST LUCE,[7] b. 15 Apr. 1832. d. 17 Mar. 1897. Was a jeweler in Vineyard Haven for many years. Was never married.
493. FRANCIS TILTON,[7] b. 21 Mar. 1834, m. *Sarah Ann Stickney*, dtr. of David and Hannah (Knight) Stickney, 3 Apr. 1861. She was b. 24 Mar. 1842. David Stickney was a descendant of William Stickney, who came from Hull, Yorkshire, England, about 1637, and settled in Boston, Mass.
Francis Tilton Blish sailed with his cousin Capt. Samuel Blish, as first mate, and when Samuel retired, he was put in command. He d. in Hong Kong, China, in 1863, and was buried there.

William Blish commanded vessels in the coast and West Indies trade, and d. of yellow fever, in New Orleans, La. .....

Reference—*Stickney Gen.*

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251. SARAH[6] BLISH WASHBURN.

(Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joeph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SARAH[6] dtr. of Stacy[5] (112) and Mary (Baxter) Blish, was b. 13 July, 1798, at Vassalborough, Me.. She m. about 1800, Japhet Washburn.

CHILDREN.

I. GEORGE,[7] b. .....

II. JULIA,[7] WASHBURN, b. .....
III. EMILY,[7] WASHBURN, b. .....
IV. FRANK,[7] WASHBURN, b. .....

Japhet Washburn was a merchant in China, Maine, near Vassalborough.

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263. Capt. ASA S.[6] BLISH.

(Silas,[5] Silas,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

Capt. ASA[6] s. of Silas[5] (125) and Chloe (Cobb) Blish, was b. 22 Mar. 1806, at Barnstable, Mass. He m. 18 May 1827, Mary Ann Anderson, of Boston. He m. 2nd 9 Dec. 1866, Mrs. Mahala B. (Low) Pocknet, an Indian woman, whom he outlived. He was a farmer in Barnstable, and at one time was guardian of some of the Mashpee Indians.

He d. 13 Aug. 1874, of palsy. He left no children.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec. and Bliss Gen.*

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275. PHEBE[6] BLISH CLAPP.

(Benjamin,[5] Benjamin,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

PHEBE[6] dtr. of Benjamin[5] (137) and Phebe (Skinner) Blish, was b. ..... 1775, at Colchester, Conn. She m. 25 Dec. 1791, Orris, s. of Abner and Mercy ( ) Clapp of Martinsburg, N. Y. He was b. 19 Mar. 1770.

CHILDREN.

I. TIRZAH, CLAPP,[7] b. 28 Jany. 1793. d. 23 Mar. 1793.
II. ORRIS CLAPP,[7] b. 20 Apr. 1794. d. 20 Mar. 1813.
III. JULIA CLAPP,[7] b. 22 Feb. 1796. d. 22 Feb. 1831.
IV. PHEBE CLAPP,[7] b. 5 Dec. 1797. d. ..... Feb. 1799.
V. HARRET CLAPP,[7] b. 23 June 1799. d. Mar. 1854.
VI. ABNER CLAPP,[7] b. 12 Jany. 1800. d. 4 Nov. 1820.
VII. BETSEY CLAPP,[7] b. 5 Dec. 1802. d. 4 Mar. 1803.
VIII. PHEBE CLAPP,[7] b. 20 May 1804. m. Dr. *Archibald Campbell.*
IX. THOMAS JEFFERSON CLAPP,[7] b. 7 Jany. 1806. m. 12 Nov. 1831, *Lorinda Bentley.*

X. MATTHEW CLAPP,[7] b. 1 Feby. 1808. m. Sept. 1830, *Alice Campbell*, and had three children, all of whom and their mother died. He m. 2nd. 1847, *Lucy Randall*, by whom he had six children. He was (1870) minister of the Disciples Church in Detroit, Mich.

XI. JOHN MILTON CLAPP,[7] b. 16 Jany. 1810. d. at Charleston, S. C. Jany. 1858.

XII. HENRY H. CLAPP,[7] b. 3 June 1812. m. 29 Nov. 1835, *Statira Newcomb*. Lived at Mentor, Ohio, and had children:

1. William H. b. 7 Sept. 1836. m. 29 Sept. 1859, *Jennie P. Millard*. He was an Adjutant in the U. S. Army.
2. Eliza C. b. 24 June 1838. m. 24 June 1863, *Harrison S. Glazier*.
3. Lorinda, b. 26 Feb. 1842. m. 20 Nov. 1867, *Robert P. Dawson*.
4. Edward N. b. 10 May 1851. m. 15 May 1873, *Emma Schram*.

XIII. MERCY CLAPP,[7] b. 8 Apr. 1814. d. ..... Sept. 1818.

Orris Clapp settled at Mentor, Ohio, and was a prominent citizen and for many years the judge of the court. He d. 28 Mar. 1847. He was a descendant of Roger Clapp, b. in Salombe Regis, Devonshire, Eng. 6 Apr. 1609. Came over in the "Mary & John" and arrived at Nantasket 30 May 1630, having been three months on the trip. He settled in Dorchester. He was called "Capt." Clapp, having been Captain of the "Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company."

References—*Clapp Gen., Colch. Tn. Rec.*

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277. BENJAMIN[6] BLISH.

(Benjamin,[5] Benjamin,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BENJAMIN[6] s. of Benjamin[5] (137) and Phebe (Skinner) Blish, was b. 9 June 1784, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. 8 Nov. 1813, at Solon, Ohio, Artemesia, dtr. of Grant Perkins. She was b. ....., 1796.

CHILDREN.

493. +GEORGE,[7] b. 3 Feby. 1834.
494. JAMES M.[7] b. 11 Sept. 1835. d. 9 Nov. 1861, in the army in Virginia.

Artemesia (Perkins) Blish d. ....., and Benjamin m. (2) "Polly" (Mary) Andrews.

Benjamin[6] Blish was a farmer and a stock raiser, his specialty being Shorthorn cattle, of which he had a fine herd. He was a Deacon in the Disciples church, and for twenty years a Justice of the Peace at Painesville, Ohio. He d. 11 Apr. 1864, at the age of eighty years. His 2nd wife, Polly, d. ....., 1866.

References—*Hist. Lake and Geauga Counties.* .1878.).

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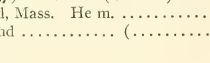
281. JUDGE ZENAS[6] BLISH.

(Benjamin,[6] Benjamin,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ZENAS,[6] s. of Benjamin[5] (137) and Phebe (Skinner) Blish, was b. 20 Oct. 1793, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. ....., Oct. 1820, Vashti, dtr. of Calvin and ..... (.....) Ingersol of Mentor, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

495.+LYDIA,[7] b. 26 Sept. 1822.
496.+LUCINDA,[7] b. 23 June 1829.



Zenas[6] Blish came to Ohio with his father, at the age of twelve. Seven years later he was returning to Massachusetts, traveling on horseback, by way of Philadelphia and New York. A call had just been made for troops in the war of 1812. He enlisted in Philadelphia, in the cavalry service, under Gen. Winfield Scott. He was promoted to a captaincy, and was honorably discharged after three years service. He then returned to Painesville and resumed work on the farm. When Lake county was organized, he was appointed one of the associate judges of the court of common pleas, which office he filled for many years, with honor to himself and to the satisfaction of the people. He was known throughout the state as a model farmer. He was also prominent in politics, and was several times the democratic candidate for Congress and State legislator. By his strict integrity he built up an enviable reputation as a warm-hearted, generous and reliable

citizen. He d. after a brief illness, from the effects of an accident, 5 Apr. 1870.

References—*Hist. Lake & Geauga Counties.*

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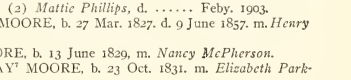
282. PHILENA[6] BLISH MOORE.

(Benjamin,[5] Benjamin,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

PHILENA[6] dtr. of Benjamin[5] (137) and Phebe (Skinner) Blish, was b. 5 Mar. 1796, at Middlefield, Mass. She m. 28 Nov. 1816, at Painesville, Ohio, Isaac Moore. He was b. ..... 1774.

CHILDREN.

497.+CLIFTON HASWELL[7] MOORE, b, 26 Oct. 1817. d. 29 Apr. 1901.
498. ABNER MOORE,[7] b. 13 Oct. 1819. m. *Betsey Onstine.*
499. ORINDA MOORE,[7] b. 30 June 1821. d. 31 May 1876.
500. MINERVA MOORE,[7] b. 10 Aug. 1823. m. *John Bishop.*
501. BENJAMIN BLISH[7] MOORE, b. 6 July 1825, m. (1) *Susan McCuddy*, and (2) *Mattie Phillips*, d. ..... Feby. 1903.
502. CORNELIA[7] MOORE, b. 27 Mar. 1827. d. 9 June 1857. m. *Henry King.*
503. MILAN[7] MOORE, b. 13 June 1829, m. *Nancy McPherson.*
504.+HENRY CLAY[7] MOORE, b. 23 Oct. 1831. m. *Elizabeth Parkhurst*, 8 Apr. 1858



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286. ELISHA[6] BLISH.

(Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELISHA,[6] s. of Ezra[5] (141) and Hannah (Hills) Blish, was b. 29 Jany. 1780, at New London, Conn. He m. ..... 1821, at Montville Conn. Laura Button. She was b. 9 Dec. 1800, at Montville.

CHILDREN.

506.+ABBIE ANN,[7] b. 20 June 1823, at Essex, Conn.
507.+HANNAH MARIA,[7] b. 8 July 1825, same place.
508. MARY JANE,[7] b. 10 Aug. 1827, same place.
509. JOHN HENRY,[7] b. 5 Sept. 1830, at East Haddam, Conn. d.

1843 of scarlet fever.

510.+ASA HILLS,[7] b. 20 Oct. 1833, at Hebron, Conn.

511. ELISHA CLARK,[7] b. 5 Aug. 1836, at same place Was an undertaker at Willimantic, Conn. d. 5 Aug. 1865, unmarried.

512.+WILLIAM LORIN,[7] b. 20 Nov. 1838, at Middle Haddam, Conn.

Elisha Blish was of medium height, but broad shouldered and strongly built, and had black eyes and hair. He was a farmer nearly all of his life, raising cattle and sheep, and at one time had a slaughter-house in Hebron village. He was a man of decided character though always jovial and pleasant. His children still talk of the happy life they had on the old farm. He d. 30 Nov. 1839, at East Haddam, and is buried there. His wife, Laura, d. 18 June 1868, at Willmantic, Conn. and is buried there.

Mary Jane Blish (508), from whom most of the data of this family has been obtained, is still living in Willimantic, where she has spent the greater portion of her life. She is a bright, active woman and resembles her father. By her industry and good management, she has accumulated considerable property, and is a mother to all the helpless ones. She was never married, but devotes herself to many good works, and knows the history of every Blish, in her family, from her grand-father down.

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291. ROBERT STILES[6] BLISH.

(Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ROBERT STILES,[6] s. of Ezra[5] (141) and Hannah (Hills) Blish, was b. 19 Apr. 1802, at Marlboro', Conn. He m. 22 Apr. 1821, "Dolly" (Dorothy) dtr. of Elisha McCall. She was b. 23 Sept. 1798 at Marlboro', Conn.

CHILDREN.

513. GEORGE M.,[7] b. 6 Feby. 1822. He m. and had a son George E. b. 28 Jany. 1854. George M., d. 9 Apr. 1867.

514.+HENRY FRANCIS,[7] b. 1 Mar. 1824.

515. LEWIS,[7] b. 22 Mar. 1827. d. 6 Feby. 1886.

516.+JOHN LESTER,[7] b. 22 Mar. 1827. Was twin with Lewis.

517. MARIA,[7] b. 5 Dec. 1831. d. 28 Oct. 1853, at Willimantic, Conn.

518.+ALBERT STILES,[7] b. 28 Jany. 1836.

Robert Stiles Blish was engaged in manufacturing all of his life. He was for several years superintendent of the Hop River mills,, about six miles west of Willimantic. Later he went to

Fitchville, near Norwich, and had charge of a large cotton mill there, for many years, until his health failed, when he returned to Willimantic, where he d. 14 Oct. 1866. He was a well informed man, a fluent and interesting talker and an active politician.

His wife, Dolly, d. Oct. 1863, at Williamantic.

(The dates of the foregoing were taken from a family record in the handwriting of Robert Stiles Blish.)

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301. SIMON[6] BLISH.

(Silas,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SIMON,[6] s. of Silas[5] (144) and Hannah Eliza (Phelps) Blish, was b. 12 Mar. 1812. He m. ....., at Delhi, N. Y., Mary Ann, dtr. of John and Nancy McKeel. She was b. 1821, at Middletown, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

519.+JOHN M.[7] b. 1 Mar. 1841, at Griffin's Corners, N. Y.
520. KATHARINE E.[7] b. 8 Jany. 1844. m. *George Jones.*
521. WILLIAM H.[7] b. 21 Aug. 1847. m. *Esther Crosby.*
522. JAMES,[7] b. 5 Feby. 1843. (?).

Simon[6] Blish was a farmer at Griffin's Corners, all of his life, where he d. 23 May 1872. Mary Ann, his wife, d. at the same place, 29 Feby. 1878.

Reference—*Hist. Delaware Co., N. Y.*

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302. EDMUND[6] BLISH.

(Abraham,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EDMUND[6] s. of Abraham[5] (146) and Alice (Fuller) Blish, was b. ..... He m. 24 Mar. 1829, Betsey Hills, of Marlboro', Conn.

CHILDREN.

523. DAVID,[7] b. .....
524. HARRIET M.[7] b. ..... 1834. She m. (1) *George W. Webster,* and lived at Andover, Conn. They had no children. He d. about 1884, and she m. (2) her cousin, *Henry Arnold,* as

his 2nd wife. She d. about 1888, at Andover and is buried at Exeter.

"Geo. W. Webster, 35 and Harriet M. Blish, 27, both of Colchester, m. 2 Dec. 1861, by Rev. Augustus Bolles."

525. MARY E.[7] b. ..... 1833, at Windsor, Conn. m. *Darius L. Carpenter,* 7 Oct. 1855, and had:-
   1. Alice,[8] who m. *Henry Arnold** as 3rd wife and lived at Niantic, Conn.
   2. Nellie, who m. *William Wyman,* of Turnerville, Conn. Removed to Canada.
   3. George. 4. Harriet. 5. John. 6. Mary. 7. Dwight

   Mary[7] Blish Carpenter d. ..... and her husband married again.

526. IRENE,[7] b. ..... m. *John Stoddard,* of Brookfield, Mass. and had two boys.

527. CORNELIA,[7] b. ..... She lives in the family of Joseph Arnold, who m. *Mary Blish* (305), and d. of consumption.

Edmund[6] Blish moved to Poquonnock, Windsor, Hartford Co., Conn.

References—*Colch., Conn. Tn. Rec., Marlboro', Conn. Tn. Rec.*

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303. ALICE[6] BLISH WILLIAMS.

(Abraham,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ALICE,[6] dtr. of Abraham[5] (146) and Alice (Fuller) Blish, was b. 14 July, 1806, at Colchester, Conn. She was m. 9 May 1834, at Colchester, to Daniel Williams Jr. by Amherest D. Scovill, J. P. of New London, Conn. He was b. 26 Apr. 1789, at Colchester, Conn.

CHILDREN, born at Mayfield, Ohio.

529. DANIEL BLISH[7] WILLIAMS, b. 12 Mar. 1835.

530.+ABRAHAM FULLER[7] WILLIAMS, b. 25 Feb. 1837.

531. HENRY CLAY[7] WILLIAMS, b. 15 Jany. 1839.

532. WILLIAM TYLER[7] WILLIAMS, b. 15 Feby. 1841.

Daniel Williams Jr. served a three year's apprenticeship to

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*Henry Arnold m. (1) Harriet Swan, of Millington, Conn. (2) Harriet[7] M. (Blish), widow of George W. Webster, and (3) Alice[8] Carpenter, niece of his second wife, and grand-daughter of Edmund[6] Blish.

learn the carpenter's trade, at the end of which he was obliged to go in debt for a broadax and adz to begin work on his own account. He invented an improvement in the mode of constructing doors to guard against cold and storms, for which he was granted a patent. He was an officer in the military company in Conn. Immediately after his marriage he came west and settled at Mayfield, Ohio, and took up large tracts of land, and acted as land agent and was very prosperous. He d. at Mayfield, 14 Nov. 1843. His wife survived him, and d. 11 Oct. 1888, at Olmstead, Ohio, and is buried at Mayfield.

He was a descendant of Joseph Loomis, who came from Braintree, England, and settled in Windsor, Conn., in 1639.

References—*Colch. Conn., Tn. Rec. and Loomis Gen.*

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304. DANIEL[6] BLISH.

(Abraham,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL[6] s. of Abraham[5] (146) and Alice (Fuller) Blish, was b. 4 Dec. 1810, at Colchester, Conn. He m. ....., Candis (Candace?) Cook. She was b. 14 June 1812.

CHILDREN.

533. CHARLES HENRY,[7] b. 21 Mar. 1837, at Black River, Lorain Co., Ohio.
534. CALVIN WICKHAM[7], b. 22 Feby. 1839, at Mayfield, Ohio.
535. HARRIET ELIZABETH,[7] b. 10 Aug. 1841.
An un-named infant, d. 7 Nov. 1843.
536. ESTHER ANN,[7] b. 21 June 1846.
537. ALICE SELINA,[7] b. 31 Jany. 1849.

Charles Henry[7] Blish is a carpenter by trade and has traveled all over this country, and was in 1899 in San Francisco, Calif. He is a bachelor.

Daniel[6] Blish got his schooling in Conn., and before his marriage was a teamster. After his marriage, he moved to Black River, Ohio, and worked at hauling ship timber with four and five yoke of oxen. About 1838, he moved to Mayfield, Ohio, and purchased a farm of timber land, about 90 acres. He cleared 60 acres of it and erected buildings. He was 5 ft., 11 in. in height, and weighed 185 pounds. He was an attendant of the Methodist

church, tho' not a member. His wife, Alice, d. 16 May 1862, and he d. 12 Aug. 1871.

Letters of administration were issued to Leonard Straight, 28 Dec. 1871. The inventory shows real estate valued at $5350, and personal property $3230 15. Final report made 5 Feby. 1873. Bal. for distribution $2958.85.

References—*Colch. Conn. Tn. Rec. Cuyahoga Co. Ohio, Prob Rec.*

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323. CHARLES DENISON[6] BLISH.

(John Denison,[5] John,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES DENISON,[6] s. of John Denison[5] (158) and Eley (Collins) Blish, was b. 29 June 1822. He m. ..... 1842, Amelia Austin, dtr. of Rev. Leonard and Elenore (Austin) Fletcher. She was b. 30 Oct. 1826, at Quantico, Ind.

CHILDREN.

560. ADALINE AMELIA,[7] b. 12 Dec. 1843, at Watertown, N. Y. m. *J. Hunt Smith,* of Norwich, Conn.

561. CHARLES FREDERICK,[7] b. 4 Dec. 1845, same place. Though a very fine appearing and attractive man, he was never married. He inherited a considerable fortune from his father, and was for many years in the hotel business. Was manager of the Pierpont House in Brooklyn for some years, and for two years connected with the Brighton Beach Hotel. For a number of years he conducted the Doolittle House, in Oswego, N. Y., and later owned the Eagle Hotel, in Peekskill, N. Y. He was shot and instantly killed, by Henry T. Betts, in his hotel office in Peekskill, Nov. 2nd. 1891. Betts had separated from his wife, who had applied for a divorce, and he was insanely jealous of Charles F. Blish. Betts had had a sunstroke some years before, and had often acted queerly, to such an extent that his friends had often expressed a fear that he would do some one harm some day.

562. GERTRUDE CAROLINE,[7] b. 10 June 1849, at Wegatchie, St. Lawrence Co. N. Y.

563. LEILA WEST,[7] b. 11 June 1851, at Watertown, N. Y.

Amelia, w. of Charles Denison Blish, d. 22 May, 1803, at Larchmont Manor, and is buried at Peekskill, N. Y. He m. (2) ....., Theresa M. Wells, widow of Charles Jay Wells, and dtr. of William H. and Harriet (Warner) Angel.

She was b. 26 Mar. 1828, at Clayton, Jefferson Co., N. Y. She had two sons, William Angel Wells, b. 18 June, 1849, at Oswego, N. Y. and George Henry Wells, b. 1 Apr. 1851, at Watertown, N. Y., both of whom were adopted by their step-father and assumed the name of Blish. William A. Blish is a broker in Wall street, N. Y. and George H. Blish is a discount clerk in the Importers & Trader's Bank, in New York City, where he has been for thirty years.

Charles Denison Blish kept a hotel at Watertown, N. Y. for many years; he then went to Oswego, N. Y. and ran a distillery; then farmed for a time, and then bought a distillery at Peoria, Ills. and another at Lacon, Ills. From there he returned to New York City, where his brother-in-law, Jackson Heckley had a contract for street cleaning, and Charles D. Blish was made manager of the work. He remained in New York City until his death. He was also a Wall street speculator. He d. 18 Nov. 1883, and is buried in Woodlawn cemetery.

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324. JOHN SWEETLAND[6] BLISH.

John Denison,[5] John,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN SWEETLAND,[6] s. of John Denison,[5] (158) and Elcy (Collins) Blish, was b. 22 July 1824, at Hamilton, N. Y. He m. 8 Nov. 1853, at Sackett's Harbor, N. Y. Marietta Haywood, dtr. of Benjamin Franklin and Almira (Haywood) Henshaw. She was b. 23 June 1825, at Northampton, Mass.

CHILDREN.

564. METTA,[7] b. 29 Aug. 1854, at Watertown, N. Y.
565. JOHN DENISON,[7] b. 2 Nov. 1855, same place.
566. LIZZIE,[7] b. 19 Aug. 1859, at Cape Vincent, N. Y.

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John Denison[7] Blish (565) has been for some years foreign purchasing agent for B. Aultman, importer of dry goods, in New

Yory City, and has made many trips to Europe in that capacity.

John Sweetland[6] Blish received an academic education and has resided in many places in New York, including St. Lawrence county, Jefferson county, Buffalo and Brooklyn City. He has been engaged in both mercantile and manufacturing pursuits. Was for four years in the customs department of the U. S. government, and for three years one of the Wardens of the Port of New York.

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326. OLIVER[6] BLUSH.

(Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

OLIVER,[6] s. of Joseph,[5] (161) and Sevila (Taylor) Blish, was b. 11 Dec. 1795. He m. 15 Mar. 1818, Clarissa, dtr. of Nathaniel Doke of Doak. She was b. 5 Mar., 1802, at Burlington, Vt.

CHILDREN.

570. OLIVER LORENZO, b. 7 Mar. 1820. Lived a bachelor.
571. GEORGE HENRY, b. 18 Mar. 1822. Lives at Harrisville, Mich. No children.
572. HARRIS E. b. 19 Nov. 1824. Was surveyor for Cuyahoga Co. O. d. 5 June, 1880.
573.+HARRIET CYNTHIA, b. 8 Sept. 1826.
574. WILLIAM DON, b. 15 Sept. 1828. d. 7 Apr. 1829.
575.+MARY ELIZA, b. 20 Aug. 1831.
576.+EDWARD TAYLOR CHAUNCY, b. 22 Sept. 1833.
577.+CHARLES ALBERT, b. 22 Oct. 1836.
578.+ROSAMOND ELIZABETH, b. 25 July 1840.
579.+LEVERET CORNELIUS, b. 19 Feby. 1843, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Oliver Blush d. 26 Mar. 1868, at Cleveland, Ohio. His wife Clarissa, d. 4 Jany. 1884, and both are buried in Brooklyn, O. Cemetery.

Oliver Blush was Capt. of Co. B. 3rd. Vermont, during the war of 1812-14. He was shot in the left arm in the battle of Plattsburg, and afterwards drew a pension for this wound. In 1841 he went from Burlington, Vt. to Bloomfield, Mich., where he bought two quarter sections of land, which is now in Pontiac, Mich. All went well for the first year, but the second year they all got sick and becoming discouraged, he sold out and started for

Buffalo. A terrible storm on Lake Erie caused him to stop off in Cleveland, Ohio, where he remained. He bought land in what is called Brooklyn, but is now in the City of Cleveland. This land became very valuable. In 1860, one William Fuller was elected County Treasurer of Cuyahoga County, and Oliver Blush and five other farmers became surties on his bond. He defaulted for a very large amount and fled to Canada, and Oliver Blush lost every foot of his land. He never recovered from this calamity. He was a man universally liked and respected, and was a deacon in the Presbyterian church.

All the data for this family were obtained from Edward T. C. Blush (576) who says that his father said that the name should be spelled *Blish* and that some of his brothers spelled it that way.

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328. SALLY[6] WHEELER (BLUSH) SMITH.

(Oliver,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SALLY WHEELER,[6] adopted dtr. of Oliver[5] Blush (162) was b. 12 Oct. 1795. She m. 5 Sept. 1815, Orrin Smith. He was b. 31 Dec. 1791, at Middlefield, Mass.

CHILDREN. ....

I. ORRIN, b. 31 Aug. 1816. His name was afterwads changed to *Charles.*
II. SARAH, b. 31 Aug. 1816. d. 10 Oct. 1821. Was a twin with Orrin.
III. CORINTH, b. 15 May 1820. d. 10 Oct. 1821.
IV. MARIA, b. 29 June 1822. d. 9 May 1849.
V. LAWRENCE, b. 25 July 1824.
VI. HENRY, b. 12 Jany. 1831, d. 1 Apr. 1831.
VII. CYNTHIA, b. 12 Jany. 1831. d. 22 June 1887.

Sally Wheeler (Blush) Smith d. 25 Apr. 1848, and Orrin Smith, her husband, d. 2 May 1874, at Cumington, Mass.

Orrin Smith was a descendant of Matthew Smith, cordwainer, from Sandwich, Kent, England, who came to Charlestown, Mass. in 1637.

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. and Ch. Rec. and Smith Gen.*

329. AMASA[6] BLUSH JR.

(Amasa,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AMASA,[6] Jr. s. of Amasa[5] (163) and Nancy (Durant) Blush, was b. 16 Jany. 1803, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. .... Charlotte A. ... .

CHILD.

580. MARION, b. about Aug. ..... 1827. d. 19 Mar. 1828, aged 8 months.
The Church record says:- "Died Mar. 19, 1828, a child of Widow Charlotte Blush, aged 8 Months."
The Town record says:- "1828, Mar. 19, Maryan, a child of widow Charlotte Blush, aged 8 months."

Reference—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. and Ch. Rec.*

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330. OLIVER[6] BLUSH.

(Amasa,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

OLIVER,[6] s. of Amasa[5] (163) and Nancy (Durant) Blush, was b. 18 Sept. 1806 at Middlefield, Mass. He m. ....., Harriet Smith. She was b. 29 Apr. 1805.

CHILDREN. ....

581.+JEROME PITKIN,[7] b. 19 June 1825. (?).
582. AMASA,[7] b. ....., 1830. He m. *Jerusha Hurlburt*, in 1852, and d. 31 May, 1893, of apoplexy, at the age of 63.
583. NANCY L.[7] b 1 Jany. 1831. She m. 9 July, 1852, *Andrew Crow*, a carpenter.
584. ADELINE,[7] b. 5 Feby. 1834. A child d. 15 June 1834, but whether it was Adeline or some other, is not certain.
585. MARTHA MARIA,[7] b. 22 Aug. 1835. "*Alexander Whipple*, carpenter, age 20, and *Martha Mariah Blush*, age 17 m. Nov. 17, 1852."
586 LOUISE ADELAIDE,[7] b. 18 Oct. 1841. "*Dwight Sherman*, son of George, farmer, and *Louisa A.* dtr. of Oliver and Harriet Blush, age 19, m. Mar. 8, 1859."
587. ELLEN A.[7] b. ....., 1844. "*Harrison F. Smith*. son of Samuel and Huldah, age 28. painter, m. *Ellen A. Blush*, dtr. of Oliver and Harriet, age 20, Feby. 21, 1864."
588. MARY ELIZA,[7] b. 6 Mar. 1846. "*Francis W. Taylor*, of Woburn,

Mass. age 25, trader, son of Worcester and Eliza A. Taylor, m. *Mary E.*, dtr. of Oliver and Hariet Blush, age 21, Oct. 10, 1867."

589. IDA CAROLINE,[7] b. 26 May 1850. "*Truman Stevens*, of Norwalk, Conn., age 28, clerk, son of Lawrence M. and Catharine m. Nov. 22 1871, *Ida C. Blush*, dtr. of Oliver and Harriet, age 21." Un-named children d. 4 Dec. 1829, 15 June 1838 and 21 Aug. 1840.

Oliver Blush d. 10 Feby. 1877, at Middlefield, and his wife Harriet, d. 2 May 1882.

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. and Ch. Rec.*

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331. WILLIAM DURANT[6] BLUSH.

(Amasa[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM DURANT,[6] s. of Amasa[5] (163) and Nancy (Durant) Blush, was b. 3 Feby. 1809, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. 13 June 1833, Eliza Ann Sennett, of Blanford.

CHILDREN.

590. ELIZA ADALINE,[7] b. 22 May 1834. d. 3 June 1838.
591. MARY ELIZABETH,[7] b. 1 Feby. 1836. d. May 20, 1838.
592.+WILLIAM CLARK,[7] b. 15 Aug. 1838.
593. An infant, b. ..... d. 14 Dec. 1842.
594. LUCY,[7] b. 1 Dec. 1843. d. 11 Dec. 1843.

Eliza Ann, w. of William D. Blush, d. 1 Aug. 1844, and he m. (2) Lucy Johnson of Chester. She d. 19 May, 1847, aged 22, and he m. (3) Harriet Stone, of Chester, Mass.

CHILDREN.

595. ARTHUR,[7] b. 5 Dec. 1853. Was a merchant at Monson, Mass.
596. GEORGE,[7] b. abt. 22 Dec. 1851, d. 22 Feby. 1855.
597. HARRIET S.[7] b. 25 June 1855. m. 25 Nov. 1875, *George Kingsley Brown*, of Windsor, age 22, carpenter, son of Alfred and Martha A. Brown.

Harriet, w. of Wm. D. Blush, d. 26 June 1855, aged 28 years, and he m. (4th) 3 Jany. 1856, Mary W. dtr. of Rufus Prentice, of Worthington, Mass. and widow of George F. Fox, of Haydenville, Mass. She was 24 years old at this time.

CHILDREN.

598. EMMA,[7] b. 24 Apr. 1857. m. 25 Oct. 1877, *Fred B. Hathaway*, a farmer, age 26, and rem. to Suffield, Conn.

599.+EDWARD DURANT,[7] b. 8 Dec. 1860.

600. AGNES ULIN,[7] b .26 Sept. 1862. "*Frank W. Pomeroy,* a merchant, age 25, son of Sylvester and Elizabeth Pomeroy, m. Nov. 10, 1885, *Agnes Ulin Blush,* teacher, age 24." "She was given a letter from the church to Evanston, Ill., 9 Feby. 1896.

601. MARTHA SAMPSON,[7] b. 28 Mar. 1866. "*Henry P. Klyver,* of Syracuse, minister, age 29, son of Neilson and Mariana Klyver, m. 1 June 1892, *Martha S. Blush,* teacher, age 26."

William Durant Blush was a man of great energy and enjoyed the confidence of the entire community in which he lived. He succeeded his father in his manufacturing industries at Middlefield. When his buildings burned in 1850, he did not rebuild. Being advanced in his years, he retired to his farm and devoted himself to raising fine stock. He was a member of, and liberal contributor to the Congregational Church in Middlefield. He d. 19 Mar. 1879. Mary W. widow of William D. Blush, d. 3 Apr. 1894, of cancer. All are buried in the family lot in Middlefield.

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. and Ch. Rec. and tombstones.*

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341. ANNE BLISH[6] DELANCE.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ANNE[6] dtr. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 22 July, 1776, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. ..... 1794, Delevan, s. of Delevan and Hephzibah (Marvin) Delance. She was b. 5 Feby. 1774, at Surry, N. H.

CHILDREN.

602. DEAN[7] DELANCE, b. 6 Oct. 1796, at Surry, N. H. m. *Electa Goodrich,* and had one child, Edward Goodrich Delance. He m. (2) *Lucy North.* He d. 5 Apr. 1858, at Chazy, N. Y.

603.+LUCY[7] DELANCE, b. 11 Feby. 1798.

604. DAVID[7] DELANCE, b. ....., d. ..... Sept. 1880, at Willsboro, N. Y.

605. PHEBE[7] DELANCE, b. ....., m. *Ransom Eggleston,* of Essex, N. Y.

606. THANKFUL[7] DELANCE, b. ....., d. 4 Feby. 1884. at Chazy. N. Y., unmarried.

607. GARRET[7] DELANCE, b. 18 Sept. 1807, m. *Charlotte Frisbie,* and had 4 children, 1, David Blish: 2, Sarah Ann; 3, Maronette, 4. Mary.

608. ALVIN R.[7] DELANCE, b. 14 Aug. 1809. m. (1), *Eunice Cowan,*

BEULAH WILCOX BLISH.

and (2), *Sarah Dennis*. No childretn. d. at Willsboro, N. Y.

609. JANE,[7] DELANCE, b. 1 Dec. 1814. m. *Seth Nichols*, and had 1, Dean D.; 2, Mary E.; and 3, Ellen H. Lived at Chazy, N. Y.

610. MARY[7] DELANCE, b. 6 Nov. 1816. d. unmarried, 11 June 1870.

All of the children except Dean were b. in Essex, N. Y.

Delevan Delance d. 1 Apr. 1841, at Chazy, N. Y. His w. Anne, d. 6 Sept. 1866, at Willsboro, N. Y., aged 90.

Delevan Delance would have called himself a farmer, but most of his life was spent in public business. He was sheriff of the county, a member of the New York Assembly, and most of the time held some town office.

The Delance's are of French descent, and the name on the tombstone of Delevan Sr. at Essex, N. Y. is "De la Lance." Delevan Jr. thinking that the name had too much of a foreign flavor, shortened it to "Delance."

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343. COL. DANIEL[6] BLISH.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL,[6] s. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 29 Aug. 1780, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 30 Dec. 1802, at Gilsum, N. H. Beulah, dtr. of Eleazur and Mary (Mack) Wilcox. She was b. 16 Mar. 1782, at Gilsum, N. H.

CHILDREN.

Twelve children were born, twice twins, but all died at birth, excepting

611. HIRAM,[7] b. 16 Feby. 1807. d. 18 July 1810.
612.+MARY WILCOX,[7] b. 14 Sept. 1814.
613.+DANIEL,[7] b. 6 Jany. 1817.
614.+BEULAH,[7] b. 17 Mar. 1819.

Daniel[6] Blish was a farmer and one of the two ordained Deacons of the Baptist church at Jay, N. Y., which office he held until his death.

On Feby. 11th, 1811, he was appointed Captain of the Essex company, Lieut. Col. Barnes' Regt. He served as Captain of a company in the 3rd. Batillion of New York Detached Militia, in the war of 1812. His name appears on a roll dated at Camp Plattsburg, Nov. 18th. 1813. Time of service 2 mos. 11 days. He was appointed, 6 Apr. 1815, Major Commandant of the 2nd. Battalion of the 9th. Regt., vice Major Reuben Sanford, resigned.

In 1817, Mar. 4, he was appointed Lieut. Colonel of the Essex Battalion of Infantry.

Daniel[6] Blish d. 15 May 1820, at Jay, N. Y. of heart trouble.

Beulah Blish, his widow, made application for bounty, 2 Mar. 1854, when she was 72 years old. Her claim was allowed for the actual time her husband served in the War of 1812, stated to be 70 days.

Beulah Wilcox Blish deserves more than a passing notice. Married at 21, she was left a widow eighteen years later, with a family of small children and the care of the farm. Happily she was well fitted by nature for such responsibility. She managed the farm and reared her children with rare judgment, with her firm but remarkably even temperament. She was never known to exhibit anger, and not only cared for her own family, but was noted for her benevolence and kindness to the sick or distressed about her.

She was active to the last, and d. 17 May 1861, after an illness of only 24 hours. The large concourse at her funeral attested the esteem in which she was held in the community.

References—*Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H., Record Pension Office and Bureau of Pensions, Wash., Minutes of Council of Appointments, Military N. Y.*

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344. LUCY[6] BLISH HEDDING.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LUCY,[6] dtr. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 4 Aug. 1782, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 10 Jany. 1810, at Gilsum, N. H. to Rev. Elijah Hedding. He was b. 7 June, 1780, at what is now the town of White Plains, in Dutchess Co., N. Y.

Elijah Hedding was of English parentage. Though neither of his parents were professors of religion, his mother was seriously inclined and took great pains to instruct him in truth and christian duty. Notwithstanding his home training, he became somewhat uncontrollable, through some evil associations. This condition, happily, did not last long. In 1791 his parents removed to Starksborough, Vermont, an almost unsettled country, and here the boy began to develop, both physically and mentally, and showed

an adventurous spirit bordering on recklessness. He was active, both in body and mind, and investigated various forms of religious and irreligious beliefs. He never evaded the issue, being open and frank in all he said or did, until he finally got back to the teachings of his good mother, and became interested in the Methodist church, which he soon joined, and was for a time an exhorter, then a local preacher and about 1800, received a regular license. In 1801 he was appointed to the Plattsburg circuit. It was while here that he became acquainted with the family of David Blish. He was located at many different places, after the manner of the Methodist parsons. In 1824, he was chosen a Bishop of the Methodist church, which office he held with honor to himself and the church for twenty-eight years. He was a remarkable man and universally esteemed wherever he was known.

No children were born to him, but the name Hedding has been handed down through several generations of the Blish family, indicating the honor and esteem in which he was held by the family.

Bishop Hedding d. 9 April, 1852, and his wife did not long survive him. The remains of both repose in the beautiful cemetery, on the east side of the Hudson river, a short distance below Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

References—*Hayward's Hist. Gilsum, N. H., Annals of the American Pulpit, Life & Times of Bishop Hedding, by Dr. Clark.*

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345. HOPE[6] BLISH WHITNEY.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HOPE,[6] dtr. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 30 July 1784, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 26 Nov. 1801, Rev. Samuel Whitney Jr. s. of Samuel and Mary (.....'.....) Whitney. He was b. 14 July 1781.

CHILDREN.

615. DANIEL[7] WHITNEY, b. .....
616. NORMAN[7] WHITNEY, b. .....
617. SAMUEL[7] WHITNEY, b. .....
618. DEMIS[7] WHITNEY, b. .....
619. HARRIET[7] WHITNEY, b. .....
620. JOHN[7] WHITNEY, b. .....

346. DAVID[6] BLISH.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID,[6] s. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish was b. 1 Nov. 1786, at Gilsum, N. H. He m. ....., 1811 Mary (called "Polly"), dtr. of Samuel Whitney Sr. and Mary, his wife. She was b. 10 Apr. 1784, at Gilsum, N. H.

CHILDREN.

621.+DANIEL,[7] b. 17 June 1812, at Gilsum, N. H.
622.+DAVID,[7] b. 30 Nov. 1814, at Surry, N. H.
623.+MARY JANE,[7] b. 27 Jany. 1817, at Jay, N. Y.
624. JOHN,[7] b. 28 Nov. 1819, at Jay, and d. 17 Mar. 1820.
625. LUCY,[7] b. 1 Feby. 1821, at Jay, and d. 30 Sept. 1838, at Lawrenceville, N. Y.
626.+EMILY,[7] b. 30 Apr. 1823.
627. WILLIAM CLARK,[7] b. 30 Nov. 1825, at Peru, N. Y. He m. 1 Nov. 1853, at Peru, N. Y. *Harriet Evaline*, dtr. of Luther and Clarissa (Bush) Ferris. She was b. 31 Aug. 1829, at Lawrenceville, N. Y.

Mary or "Polly" Whitney, was a sister of the Rev. Samuel Whitney, Jr. who m. Hope Blish (345), sister of David Blish (346).

David Blish d. 15 Nov. 1872, at Lawrenceville, N. Y., and his wife, Mary d. 17 June, 1868, at the same pace.

Reference—*Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H.*

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347. ZERUIAH[6] BLISH TINKHAM.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ZERUIAH,[6] dtr. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 16 June 1789, at Gilsum, N. H. m. 3 Feby. 1808, Rev. John Tinkham.

Rev. John Tinkham preached at Eaton, Mass. fourteen years. He also preached for the Methodist church in Gilsum, in 1804 and 1805. He d. at Eaton, Mass. 29 June, 1824, at the age of 42 years. His wife, Zeruiah, d. 23 June 1863, at the same place.

Reference—*Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H.*

348. DEMIS[6] BLISH WADE.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DEMIS,[6] dtr. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 30 June, 1791, at Gilsum, N. H. She m. 15 Oct. 1816, Daniel, s. of David and Cloe (Drake) Wade. He was b. 15 Apr. 1795, at Easton, Mass.

CHILDREN.

630. HARRIET NEWELL WADE,[7] b. 28 Jany. 1818, at Walpole, Mass.
631. ELMIRA ADAMS WADE,[7] b. 21 Mar. 1820, at Stoughton, Mass.
632. LAURA WADE,[7] b. 6 Feby. 1822.
633. LOUISA WADE,[7] b. 15 May 1823.
634. DANIEL WADE, Jr.[7] b. 28 Jany. 1825.
635. ORRIN WADE,[7] b. 25 Oct. 1827, at Marlboro.
636. CHARLES WADE,[7] b. 14 July 1831.
637. OLIVER PRESCOTT WADE,[7] b. 21 Nov. 1833.

Daniel Wade Sr. d. 10 July 1869, at Webster, Mass. and his wife, Demis, d. 19 May 1865, at the same place.

Reference—*Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H.*

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349. JOHN[6] BLISH.

(David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN,[6] s. of Dea. David[5] (165) and Lucy (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 21 Mar. 1793, at Gilsum, N. H. He m. ..... 1813, Merab Ann, dtr. of Stephen and Mary (.....) Wales. She was b. ..... 1793, at Woodstock, Vt.

CHILDREN.

638. MERAB ANN,[7] b. 8 Aug. 1815, d. 17 Apr. 1831.
639.+ELLEN DOUGLAS,[7] b. 10 Mar. 1817.
640.+LUCY HEDDING,[7] b. 5 May 1819.
641.+JOHN HEDDING,[7] b. 25 Apr. 1821.
642. MARY,[7] b. 5 Apr. 1823, d. ..... Aug. 1824.
643.+ELIJAH HEDDING,[7] b. 8 Mar. 1825.
644.+MARY DUNHAM,[7] b. 20 Feby. 1827.
645.+EDWIN WALES,[7] b. 25 Dec. 1829.

646. EMILY TINKHAM,[7] b. 3 Nov. 1831. m. 16 Oct. 1851, *Nelson Williams.*

647. WILLIAM WALES,[7] b. 5 Dec. 1833. d. 12 Apr. 1856, at Janesville, Wis. unmarried.

John[6] Blish settled in Woodstock, Vermont, in 1817, and engaged in the tinware business with a partner by the name of Roby. The brick block, on the corner next to Edson's Row, was built by Blish & Roby, in 1830, and they moved into it in December of that year.

In former times the road turned off to the north and passed in front of the ground on which Mr. Foster's barn now stands. On the site of this barn was once a house, on the south side of the highway, built by the Randalls as early as 1788, and occupied by William Randall until 1793. He then sold it to Moses Barnet, and the house went by the name of the "Barnet House" for many years. In 1800 it was occupied by William Rice, sheriff, merchant, etc. Until his departure from Woodstock, about 1810. In 1814, Caleb Simmons went into the house, and in 1817 John Blish purchased the premises described in the deed as "a triangle containing 71 square rods." On the point of the triange he built his "red shop" which he used for some years, until he moved further down street, near the center of business. The red shop was used for a school house for a long time, until Jonas G. Tribeau bought it of the Blish estate, in 1845, with a small piece of land, and occupied it as a dwelling and wheelwright shop. The remainder of the triangle was sold by John Blish, in 1826, with the Barnet house, to Amos McLaughlin.

In 1835, the Methodists felt strong enough to erect a church. John Blish owned a piece of land bounding on the common, and this he deeded Mar. 5th, 1836, to Hosea Healey and three others, stewards of the M. E. church of Woodstock, and the church was built upon it. John Blish took an active part in the church and was largely instrumental in getting it built. He was also always interested in the improvement of the town. The old elm tree at the corner of Chestnut and Pleasant streets, was set out by John Blish and Mr. Cubley, who brought it from the site of Mr. Watkin's house on Lincoln street. John[6] Blish d. 1 Sept. 1843, at Woodstock, Vt., and his wife, Merab, d. 5 Jany. 1861, at Chicago, Ill.

References—*Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H., Hist. of Woodstock, Vermont.*

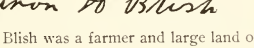
371. AARON HUBBARD[6] BLISH.

(Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AARON HUBBARD,[6] s. of Dea. Thomas[5] (169) and Prudence (Hubbard) Blish, was b. 31 July, 1786, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. ....., Joanna, dtr, of Timothy and Anna (Andrews) Hale. She was b. 17 Aug. 1788, at Manchester, Conn.

CHILDREN.

651.+TIMOTHY AUSTIN,[7] b. 18 Aug. 1810, at Glastonbury, Conn.
652.+DAVID DWIGHT,[7] b. 27 Oct. 1812.
653.+AARON HUBBARD,[7] b. 5 Sept. 1815.
654.+HIRAM HALE,[7] b. 8 Apr. 1818.
655.+SARAH JEANETTE, b. 9 Dec. 1820. Bap. July 1821.
656.+ADALINE THERESA,[7] b. 29 Aug. 1826.



Aaron Hubbard[6] Blish was a farmer and large land owner in Glastonbury..

1832, Aug. 10. Was chosen hayward, which seems to have been his only public office. The Eastbury church record has the following entry—"1807, 2nd, Sabbath in April, were received in full covenant, Hubbard Blish and wife." He d. 10 Aug. 1832, at the age of 46 years. Sylvester Blish (373) and Timothy A. Blish were appointed administrators of his estate, and gave bond for $10,000. with William Smith as surety. David E. Hubbard and Roger Blish were appointed as appraisers, and six months limit allowed to creditors.

INVENTORY of the Estate of Aaron Hubbard Blish was filed 29 Sept. 1832, as follows:-

Wearing apparel, by estimation,	$ 32 84
Household furniture, valued at	285 27
Farming utensils,	243 43
21 head of neat stock,	463 50
4 horse kind, do,	152 00
22 sheep do. $29.48; 4 hogs and 7 pigs, $23.00,	52 48
To 1 still-worm, still house and other apparatus,	90 00
26 cords of two-foot wood,	24 00
To 11816 feet of timber, board measure, $8. per 1000,	94 52
About 37 bushels of rye $27.75; about 60 bushels of oats $20,	47 75
About 27 tons of hay	216 00

One stall in the shed at the meeting house,	15 00
One black-smith shop, bellows and vise,	50 00
Real Estate. Home lot and stacking lot, about 120 acres,	2634 00
Wells & Hurlbut lot, containing about 92 acres,	2208 00
Tryon lot, containing about 14 acres,	378 00
Hills lot, containing about 29 acres,	348 00
Kellogg lot, containing about 135 acres	2430 00
Notes. One note against Solomon Olcott, due,	12 50
One do do Newton Skinner, due,	45 10
One do do Jared Hills, due,	6 40
One do do Elijah Shirtleff, due,	32 00
Cash,	17 00
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David E. Hubbard,
Roger Blish, Appraisers under oath.

1833, Mar. 9. On motion of Sylvester Blish and Timothy A Blish, Admrs. etc. the court set out to Joanna Blish, widow, household goods and other property, to the amount of $268.00. $300 is allowed to the widow for support during the settlement of said estate.

1835, June 2. Joanna Blish appointed guardian of Sarah J. and Adaline T. Blish, minors. Thaddeus Wells appointed guardian of Hiram H. Blish.

1838, Apr. 4. On petition of Roger Blish, showing that the property of the said Sarah J. and Adaline T. Blish was exposed to waste and loss, their mother was removed and Elmon Strong appointed guardian.

The real estate of Aaron Hubbard Blish was divided among his children, after setting off the widow's dower, in 1833, by Roger Blish, Thaddeus Wells and Leonard Hale, Commissioners appointed for that purpose.

Joanna Blish, widow, m. Russell Brown, and d. 18 Aug. 1854, at South Manchester, Conn.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Eastbury Ch. Rec. and Hartford Probate Rec.*

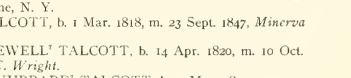
372. DOROTHY[6] BLISH TALCOTT.

(Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DOROTHY,[6] dtr. of Dea. Thomas[5] (169) and Prudence (Hubbard) Blish, was b. 8 Apr. 1789, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 24 Oct. 1805, Capt. William, s. of William and Mary (Carter) Talcott. He was b. 6 Mar. 1784, at Hebron, Conn.

CHILDREN.

657. THOMAS BLISH,[7] TALCOTT, b. 17 Apr. 1806. m. 5 June 1843, *Sophia E. Williard.*
658. +WAIT[7] TALCOTT, b. 17 Oct. 1807.
659. WILLIAM HUBBARD[7] TALCOTT, b. 7 Apr. 1809, m. 27 July 1836, *Harriet N. Williams.*
660. SYLVESTER[7] TALCOTT, b. 14 Oct. 1810. m. 10 June 1841, *Mary Westlake.*
661. ADALINE[7] TALCOTT, b. 8 Jany. 1812. d. unm. 4 July 1828.
662. WALTER HENRY,[7] TALCOTT, b. 13 Feby. 1814. m. 1 Oct. 1845, *Emeline McConnell.*
663. MOSLEY DWIGHT[7] TALCOTT, b. 6 Sept. 1816, d. 11 Aug. 1828, at Rome, N. Y.
664. SAMUEL[7] TALCOTT, b. 1 Mar. 1818, m. 23 Sept. 1847, *Minerva Pettibone.*
665. HARRIET NEWELL[7] TALCOTT, b. 14 Apr. 1820, m. 10 Oct. 1843, *Charles C. Wright.*
666. +PRUDENCE HUBBARD[7] TALCOTT, b. 4 Mar. 1822.



Capt. William Talcott emigrated with his family, consisting of himself and wife and three children, in 1810, to Rome, New York, which was then considered the "far west." During the war of 1812, the militia of Oneida county was called out and stationed at Sackett's Harbor, N. Y., under the command of Gen. Winfield Scott, at which time William Talcott held a Lieutenant's commission in a company in the 157th. Regt. of the Militia of the State.

In 1835, he with his eldest son, Thomas B. Talcott, explored the "great west" making the trip with horse and buggy, and selected a location at the junction of Rock and Pecatonica rivers, now known as Rockton, in Winnebago Co., Illinois, to which place he came with his family, in 1837. Here he built grist mills, which were known for many years as the pioneer mills of the country and did the custom grinding for a large section of the surrounding territory. On the 23rd. of March, 1838, he assisted

in organizing the First Congregational church, consisting of fourteen members, of which five were of his own family, viz. himself and wife, Dorothy, his daughters Harriet and Prudence and his son Walter. In 1855, when the society had increased and built a church, he donated a bell for it, for which he was thanked by a vote of the church and also by a vote at the Town Meeting, which ordered his name to be engraved on the bell, at the Town's expense.

He was a pronounced abolitionist, and present at the national convention at Buffalo, N. Y. in 1844, which nominated James G. Birney for the presidency, and was one of the seven who voted the ticket in 1860 in Winnebago county, Illinois. He d. 2 Sept. 1864, at Rockton, Ills. honored and respected by the entire community.

Dorothy Talcott

Dorothy Blish Talcott was a large woman, resembling her father. She was a woman of great energy and executive ability, doing her full share in the two pioneer ventures of her husband. She d. 24 Nov. 1879, at Rockton.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Hebron, Conn. Tn .Rec. and Talcott Gen.*

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373. Col. SYLVESTER[6] BLISH.

(Thomas[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

Col. SYLVESTER,[6] s. of Dea. Thomas[5] (169) and Prudence (Hubbard) Blish, was b. 31 Dec. 1790, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 1 Jany. 1812, at South Manchester, Conn. Rhoda, dtr. of Timothy and Rhoda (Skinner) Cheney. She was b 5 Dec. 1794, at South Manchester, Conn. in Orford Parish.

CHILDREN.

667.+WILLIAM HENRY,[7] b. 25 May 1812. Bap. 12 Nov. 1812.
668.+THOMAS,[7] b. 18 Sept. 1815.
669.+CHARLES CHENEY,[7] b. 26 May 1820.
670.+PRUDENCE HUBBARD,[7] b. 26 Mar. 1822. Bap. 1 Sept. 1822, by Rev. Mr. Allen.
671.+GEORGE CHENEY,[7] b. 12 Jany. 1831. Bap. 22 May 1831.

Sylvester Blish

COLONEL
SYLVESTER BLISH.

RHODA CHENEY BLISH.

Sylvester Blish was a very active and engertic man. He had the fiery and impetuous temperment of his mother, combined with the determination of his father. He was public spirited and active in politics holding many public offices in Connecticut. He was lister in Glastonbury in 1815, 1817 and 1818; was tithingman 1817, 1819 and 1826; was surveyor of highways in 1820, 1821, 1823, 1824, 1825 and 1827; was on board the relief in 1822 and 1823; was collector of taxes in 1825; was grand juryman in 1828 and 1829; was town agent and fence-viewer in 1830; selectman in 1822 and1833; and a memberof the Connecticut General Assembly in 1835.

He was also prominent in military matters and rose through gradual promotions until he was Colonel in the Connecticut Militia for several years before he left Connecticut, in 1836. He was one of the administrators of the estate of his brother Aaron Hubbard Blish, and also administered upon the estate of his father.

In 1835 a rumor was spread through Connecticut and Massachusetts that the Catholics were colonizing the fertile Mississippi valley with the intention of founding a Catholic hierachy there, and a movement was inaugurated with the object of sending out Protestant colonies and settlements to counteract the Catholic movement. A stock company was organized in Wethersfield, Conn. for this purpose, the Rev. Caleb Tenney, of Wethersfield, and the Rev. Gardner Spring of New York, being among the leaders of the enterprise. Col. Blish joined the Wethersfield company, which was called "The Connecticut Association." A fund raised, and in 1836, Col. Sylvester Blish, Elizur Goodrich and Rev. Ithamar Pillsbury were chosen to proceed west and purchase lands. Rev. Ithmar Pillsbury was not a member of the association, but had been in the west the preceeding year, in the interest of another similar association, so that his experience was valuable. Elizur Goodrich was a surveyor. They went to Illinois, a trip that was not without considerable hardship at that time. Mr. Goodrich became discouraged by the vastness and seeming endlessness of the prairies, but Col. Blish, encouraged by the zeal and hopefulness of Mr. Pillsbury, pushed the work to a completion.

They selected and entered over fifteen thousand acres of land in Henry county, Illinois, and returned to Connecticut. Col. Blish was so impressed with the fertility of the soil in Illinois and the future possibilities of the country, that he determined to make

his home there. He sold his lands in Connecticut, and in the spring of 1837, started with his family for Illinois, making the entire trip in a carriage. His wagon, farming utensils and household effects were shipped by water to New Orleans and from thence they came up the Mississippi river to the settlement at Rock Island, about forty miles from the location of the colony lands. These lands were happily chosen. The greater portion lay to the south of a large grove of oak, walnut and hickory timber, about fifteen miles long and six miles wide. A portion of the colony lands were located in the south edge of the timber. To a person reared among the stony hills of Connecticut or Massachusetts, these vast rolling prairies, with their rich, black soil, were at once a wonder and an inspiration. A town site was laid out a little to the south of the grove and called Wethersfield. By the forms of the Association, each share of stock gave the owner the right to select a quarter section (160 acres) of prairie land, a twenty acre timber lot and a village lot, which contained two and one-half acres. A number of other colonists arrived the same year, and the season was taken up mainly with the construction of log houses and the raising of small crops to provide for the coming winter. Space forbids any extended account of the privations of these early comers or the growth and final success of the venture. The Catholic scare was purely imaginary, but the results were good for the parties concerned and for the communities planted in the new country. Three other settlements were made in the near vicinity of Wethersfield, one at Andover, by Massachusetts people, one at Geneseo, by New York people and one at Providence by Rhode Island people.

Col. Blish took an active interest in the affairs of the new country and aided and encouraged its development and settlement. He became a large land owner and prospered beyond his most sanguine expectations. In 1852 a railroad was projected which would give connections with Chicago, and into this enterprise he launched with all his accustomed vigor, and in 1855 the railroad was a reality. From this time the real development of the country began. A railroad station was located a little over a half a mile north of the Town site of Wethersfield, which was named Kewanee, that meaning in Indian dialect "prairie hen". Col. Blish owned a quarter section of land adjoining the new railroad station, which is now a part of the City of Kewanee, and completely covered with factories and residences. That is east of the original village of Kewanee, while the City has now etended a mile to the

west and taken in his old homestead and orchard, which was just at the south edge of the grove. Even the old Village of Wethersfield is now putting on city airs, with water works, street lights and trolly cars.

Col. Blish was for many years the post master in Wethersfield and held the same office in Kewanee, until his death, being the first post master in both places. For many years after his arrival in Wethersfield, Col. Blish kept the only hotel in Wethersfield. The old oval sign stood upon a post, with the words: "S. BLISH. INN" painted thereon. His house was the stopping place for the stage lines which traversed the country before the advent of railroads.

The greatest obstacle, with which the pioneers had to contend, was the lack of transportation facilities and their great distance form available markets. A limited quantity of wheat was marketed, by teams, at Peoria, Lacon, and other river points, and occasionally at Chicago. The surest source of income was by fattening hogs, butchering and dressing them and hauling the whole carcasses to the river towns and selling them to the packing houses, or by raising cattle and selling them on the hoof to buyers, who took them away in droves to eastern points.

Soon after the settlers arrived in Wethersfield, they organized a Congregational society. Meetings were held at the houses of the members, and Col. Blish's being the largest, was usually used. Col. Blish was the first chorister, and the music was strictly vocal. Later a base viol was added. In the fall of 1838, a log school house was built, and this was used for church services for some ten years.

Col. Blish was also an etensive stock raiser and took especial pride in his horses. He brought the first Morgan horses to Wethersfield, and the effect of his labors is still apparent in the neighborhood. He was an expert horseman, and no animal was too wild for him to handle. He d. 8 Oct. 1855, in the old house on the place on which he located on his arrival in Illinois, a new house which he was building, having been almost ready for occupancy. He is buried in the old Kewanee cemetery, which he donated to the Village, when it was first laid out.

Rhoda Blish

Rhoda Cheney Blish remained on the old farm, living with her son Charles. She was a short, fleshy woman, of fair complex-

ion and blue eyes. She was a great reader and kept herself well informed on all current topics. Left with independant means, she took great pleasure in helping others. A score of grand-children remember her kind words and motherly care. Patient, loving and cheerful, the close of her life was like a beautiful sunset. She d. 9 Jany. 1878, in her 84th, year, and her remains lie beside her husband.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Eastbury Ch. Rec., Cheney Gen.*

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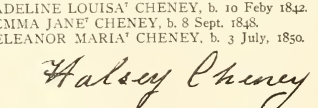
374. ADELINE PAMELIA[6] (BLISH) CHENEY.

(Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ADELINE PAMELIA,[6] dtr. of Thomas[5] (169) and Prudence (Hubbard) Blish, was b. 7 Aug. 1807, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 26 Oct. 1825, Halsey, s. of Timothy and Rhoda (Skinner) Cheney. He was b. 30 June 1799, at Manchester, Conn.

CHILDREN.

672. PRUDENCE HUBBARD[7] CHENEY b. 1 Feb. 1827. m. 18 June 1849, *William Ellery Hart,* who d. 24 Jany. 1858. Children: I: Ida Adeline Hart, b. 2 June, 1850; d. 3 Feby. 1853. II, Richard William Hart, b. 3 Oct. 1851; d. 12 May 1858.
673.+THOMAS BLISH,[7] CHENEY, b. 2 Dec. 1828.
674.+EDWARD HALSEY,[7] CHENEY, b. 2 Apr. 1832.
675.+GEORGE WELLS[7] CHENEY, b. 15 Dec. 1833.
676.+CHARLES SYLVESTER[7] CHENEY, b. 2 Apr. 1836.
677.+HARRIET ELIZABETH[7] CHENEY, b. 25 June 1838.
678.+ADELINE LOUISA[7] CHENEY, b. 10 Feby 1842.
679.+EMMA JANE[7] CHENEY, b. 8 Sept. 1848.
680.+ELEANOR MARIA[7] CHENEY, b. 3 July, 1850.



Halsey Cheney was a carriage maanufacturer, at Middletown, Conn. the greater part of his life. He d. 9 May 1853, at Middletown. His widow Adeline moved to Kewanee, Illinois, in 1857, accompanied with his sons Edward and George and the three youngest children and purchased a farm adjoining the

old homestead of her brother Sylvester Blish. She was a woman of great energy and of a hopeful temperment, always making the best of everything. She seemed to be always jolly and cheerful and there was something doing wherever she was. She d. in Kewanee, Illinois, at the home of her daughter Emma, (Mrs. Vail) 13 Sept. 1875, from the effects of a strangulated hernia.

Adeline P. Cheney

References—*Glastonbury Tn. Rec. Cheney Gen.*

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382. NOVATUS[6] BLISH.

(Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

NOVATUS,[6] of Aaron[5] (172) and Roxie (Webster) Blish, was b. 3 Apr. 1795, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 6 Nov. 1817, at Harpersfield, Delaware County, New York, Sophia Brett. She was b. 4 Apr. 1895, at Harpersfield.

CHILDREN.

685.+ALONZO HOWARD,[7] b. 25 Sept. 1818, at Stamford, N. Y.
686.+AARON,[7] b. 11 July 1820.
687.+HENRY MARSHALL,[7] b. 14 Feby. 1824.

Sophia Brett Blish d. 2 Mar. 1824, from the effects of child-birth, and Novatus Blish m. (2), 14 Oct. 1824, *Mary Mapes Barlow*, a widow with two children, and dtr. of David Mapes. She was b. 16 July. 1796, at Cocksackie, N. Y.

CHILDREN. (2nd. marriage.)

688.+NOVATUS MAPES,[7] b. 14 July 1828, at Roxbury, N. Y.
689. MARY,[7] b. 16 July 1825.
690 +DAVID FARSHALL,[7] b. 6 Oct. 1836, at Stamford, N. Y.

Novatus Blish received only a common school education and after his first marriage, settled on Rose's Brook, Delaware Co. N. Y. and engaged in farming and blacksmithing. He remained there until the death of his first wife. After his second marriage, he removed to the Village of Roxbury, in the same county, and engaged in merchandising for some four years, and then moved to

the Town of Stamford, where he bought a stock of goods and a store from John Griffin. He also bought a farm and ashery and carried on business for some twenty-one years. His death, which was sudden and tragic, occured 16 Nov. 1848. He was building and had nearly completed, a new store; a ladder which was made of two iron-wood saplings, with the ends cut slanting, was standing against the scaffolding; he went up into the scaffold, which gave way and he fell upon the sharp end of the ladder, which penetrated his vitals. He lived but twenty-four hours after the injury, suffering intensely.

He was an influential man in the community, and his sudden taking off was a great shock. His son Novatus was working with him at the time of the accident.

His widow, Mary, d. ....., and is buried at Hobart, N. Y.

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383. ARISTARCHUS[6] BLISH.

(Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ARISTARCHUS,[6] s. of Aaron[5] (172) and Roxie (Webster) Blish, was b. 21 Mar. 1797. He m. ..... Nancy Cornelia, dtr. of Asahel and Phebe (Osborne) Merriam. She was b. 17 Nov. 1805, at Harpersfield, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

691.+CAROLINE DELIA,[7] b. 3 Sept. 1824, at Stamford, N.Y.
692.+EVALINE CELIA,[7] b. 5 June 1826.
693.+LORANA ANN,[7] b. 7 Apr. 1828.
694.+MORILLA LOUISE,[7] b. 15 Aug. 1831.
695.+JOSHUA WEBSTER,[7] b. 4 Jany. 1834.
696. HARRIET,[7] b. 14 May 1836. d. 20 Oct. 1850.
697.+EMILY FLORELLA,[7] b. 23 Oct. 1840.

Aristarchus Blish was b. in Connecticut and came west with his father, when about one year old. He lived on a farm near Stamford, N. Y. Was a farmer all of his life. He d. 13 Nov. 1872, and his wife, Nancy, d. 3 Feby. 1879. Both are buried at Stamford.

384. RODERIC SKINNER[6] BLISH.

(Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

RODERIC SKINNER,[6] s. of Aaron[5] (172) and Roxie (Webster) Blish, was b. 21 July 1800. He m. 16 Sept. 1825, at Delhi, N. Y., Florella, dtr. of March Farrington. She was b. 4 Sept. 1804.

CHILDREN.

698.+MORRIS FARRINGTON,[7] b. 16 Nov. 1827.
699. HENRY MOORE,[7] b. 9 June 1830.
700.+ANNA AUGUSTA,[7] b. 10 Sept. 1833.
701. LEWIS I.[7] b. 18 Apr. 1837. d. 18 Apr. 1864, at Wilmington, Ill. of consumption. Was never married. .....

Roderic Blish at first followed farming, at Rose's Brook N. Y. He afterwards was a carriage maker and blacksmith at Prattville, N. Y. He also lived at Wilmington, Ills. His wife Florella, d. 12 June 1870, at Chicago, and is buried at Wilmington, Ill. He d. 8 Jany. 1873, at Fort Wayne, Ind., and is buried at Wilmington, Ill.

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388. ALMIRA S.[6] (BLISH) FRENCH.

(Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ALMIRA S.[6] dtr. of Aaron[5] (172) and Roxie (Webster) Blish, was b. 15 July 1811, at Sidney, (res. Otsego,) N. Y. She m. 15 Oct. 1834, William Harrison French. He was b. 10 Mar 1811.

CHILDREN.

I. EMILY A.[7] FRENCH, b. 30 Nov. 1835. d. 29 Dec. 1839.
II. JAMES B.[7] FRENCH, b. 7 July 1838. d. 17 Mar. 1842.
III. LUCINA K.[7] FRENCH, b. 30 Mar. 1842. m. Francis A Harrington, and d. 14 Oct. 1871.
IV. LUCINDA B.[7] FRENCH, b. 30 Mar. 1842. Twin of Lucina.

William Harrison French was a blacksmith by trade, and was a descendant of John Fillow, a Huguenot refugee, who came to America about 1700, and settled at Norwalk, Conn.

Reference—*Fillow Gen.*

403. Capt. AUGUSTUS[6] BLISH.

(Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

Capt. AUGUSTUS,[6] s. of Roger[5] (173) and Demis (Hosford) Blish was b. 20 Aug. 1801, at Marlboro,' Conn. He m. ..... 1828, Delight, dtr. of William Buell, Jr. She was b. abt. 18 Oct. 1803, at Marlboro.' Her mother d. 18 Oct. 1803.

No issue was b. of this marriage, but they adopted a child.

705.+THERON BUELL,[7] b. ....

Augustus Blish, in his will, dated August, 1865, gives to wife, Delight, all of his household furniture, excepting one feather bed and underbed and suitable bed clothes for the same, also "all of my personal estate excepting what I hereafter give to my nephew Theron Buell; also the use and improvement of one-half of my real estate, during her natural life."

Gives to Theron Buell one-half of farming utensils, neat stock, horse and wagon; one-half of the provisions on the premises; one-half of the hay and grain in the barns; also one-half of the real estate during the life of wife, Delight; after the death of wife, gives, all the real estate to Theron Buell, or the heirs of his body. Wife, Delight, and Theron Buell, executors.

The will was proven, Dec. 1866. Real estate was inventoried at $3,000, and personal estate at $1,831.91.

Augustus Blish d. 12 Feby. 1866 ,at Marlboro,' Conn. His wife, Delight, d. ..... 1881, leaving a will, dated in Aug. 1865, and evidently made at the same time as her husband's. By this will she gives her husband the use of all her real estate during life, with remainder to Theron Buell, and makes him executor. The will was proven 1 Mar. 1881. The inventory gives $5370.33 which was mostly money in several banks, showing thrift and excellent management. She was a lifelong member of the Marlboro' church.

References.—*Marlboro,' Conn. Prob. Rec. Marlboro' Ch. Rec.*

404. AARON HOSFORD[6] BLISH.

(Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AARON HOSFORD,[6] s. of Roger[5] (173) and Demis (Hosford) Blish, was b. 3 Nov. 1803, at Marlboro,' Conn. He m. 5 Mar. 1839, at Salem, Conn., Eunice Peckham, dtr. of Augustus and Ruth (Barker) Clark. She was b. abt. 1817, at Westerly, R. I.

CHILDREN.

709.+DEMIS JANE,[7] b. 31 May 1841.
710. CHARLOTTE AMELIA,[7] b. 11 Mar. 1843.
711.+ELLA ANNETTE,[7] b .17 July 1845.
712.+HARRIET PRUDENCE,[7] b. 15 Dec. 1847.
713.+ROGER DUDLEY,[7] b. 22 June 1849.
714. EUNICE ADELAIDE,[7] b. 17 July 1852. d. 22 Aug. 1853.

Eunice, w. of Aaron Hosford Blish, d. according to the tombstone in the Marlboro' cemetery, 3 Sept. 1861, though the Town record says 3 Sept. 1862.

Aaron Hosford Blish d. according to his tombstone, 3 Feby. 1871. The family record says, 9 Feby. 1871. He d. at Manchester, Conn.

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405. CHAUNCEY[6] BLISH.

(Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHAUNCEY,[6] s. of Roger[5] (173) and Demis (Hosford) Blish, was b. 4 Dec. 1807, at Marlboro,' Conn. He m. 2 Mar. 1835, Esther Maria, dtr. of Lathrop and Mehitable (Reed) Slate. She was b. ..... Oct. 1814, at Old Lyme, Conn.

CHILDREN.

Infant dtr. d. at birth, in 1836.
715. ZERUIAH ANN,[7] b. 30 Oct. 1838. m. *Joseph Carrier.*
Twin sons, b. 1840. Lived one day. Not named.
716. MARY TALCOTT,[7] b. 31 Oct. 1842. d. 15 Apr. 1861, of consumption.
717.+ALICE MARIA,[7] b. 15 July 1844.
718.+HELEN ELIZA,[7] b. 30 Jany. 1849.
719.+ESTHER JANE,[7] b. 15 May 1851.

Chauncey Blish received his education in Marlboro' Village, and went to work as superintendent in a cotton mill at East Haddam, where he met his future wife. He next went to South Glastonbury, and followed the same occupation for many years, until his health failed him. He then bought a farm at Marlboro' Center, on which he lived until about three years before his death, when he went and lived with his eldest daughter, Zeruiah Carrier. He was a tall man, with brown hair and blue eyes, and of pleasing address. Both he and his wife were members of the Marlboro' church. His wife, Esther, d. 22 Feby. 1867, and he d. 16 Oct. 1874. Both are buried at Marlboro.'

References—*Marlboro' Prob., Tn. & Ch. Recs.*

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406. MARY L.[6] (BLISH) LORD.

(Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY L.[6] dtr. of Roger[5] (173) and Demis (Hosford) Blish, was b. 25 Sept. 1810, at Marlboro,' Conn. She m. ....1832, George Talcott, s. of David M. and Prudence (Talcott) Lord. He was b. ..... 1803, at Marlboro,' Conn.

CHILDREN.

720. LUCIUS LORD,[7] b. ..... 1833.
721. JOHN LORD,[7] b. 10 July 1834.
722. CELECTA J. LORD,[7] b. ... ...1838.
723. ROGER BLISH LORD,[7] b. 26 Oct. 1844.

George Talcott Lord was a farmer in Marlboro.' He d. 1 Mar. 1880, at the age of 77, and his wife d. 29 July, 1889, aged 78 and both are buried in Marlboro' cemetery.

References—*Marlboro,' Conn. Tn. and Ch. Recs.*

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407. HARRIET ELIZA[6] (BLISH) CARRIER.

(Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HARRIET ELIZA,[6] dtr. of Roger[5] (173) and Demis (Hosford) Blish, was b. 9 Aug. 1812, at Marlboro,' Conn. She m. 10

Apr. 1838, William, s. of Joseph and Lois (Day) Carrier. He was b. 16 Nov. 1811, at Marlboro.'

CHILDREN.

725. HARRIET LOISA' CARRIER, b. 8 Jany. 1839. m. 9 July 1896, *Irwin Thomas.*

726.+HELEN ELIZA' CARRIER, b. 8 Jany. 1839. Twin of Harriet Loisa.

Harriet Eliza (Blish) Carrier, d. 29 Jany. 1839 from the effect of child-birth, and William Carrier m. (2) 17 Aug. 1840, Emeline, dtr. of Oliver and Mary (Hill) Phelps. She was b. 11 Mar. 1813, at Marlboro.'

CHILDREN of 2nd marriage..

727. LOIS D.' CARRIER b. 13 Feby. 1845.

728. SARAH E.' CARRIER, b. 11 Oct. 1846. m. *Myron H. Tarbox*, Lockport, N. Y.

729. LUCY C.' CARRIER, b. 29 Aug. 1853, m. *Edgar J. Thomas*, of Cuba, N. Y.

730. FRANK P.' CARRIER, b. 23 May 1860, m. 10 Mar. 1892, *F. Elida Newton*, and d. 3 Jany. 1898, at Cuba, N. Y.

William Carrier spent his youth at Marlboro,' Conn. and completed his education at Lima, N. Y. He taught school for a few years and then went to farming. He first settled in Marlboro,' and then lived a few years in Glastonbury, Conn. He then moved to Cuba, N. Y. where he lived for 25 years. He d. 10 Apr. 1883, at Cuba, N. Y., highly respected. His second wife, Emeline, d. 23 July, 1893. The two oldest children, Harriet and Helen are mentioned in the will of their grand-father, Roger Blish (173).

Reference—*Marlboro,' Conn. Tn. & Ch. Recs.*

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409. DANIEL,[6] BLISH.

(Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL,[6] . of Roger[5] (173) and Demis (Hosford) Blish, b. 28 Oct. 1817, at Marlboro', Conn. He was m. 17 Sept. 1856, by Rev. Aaron Snow, to Fanny Maria, dtr. of Elisha and Fanny (Arnold) Howe. She was b. 29 July 1827, at Glastonbury, Conn.

CHILDREN.

732.+FRANK HOSFORD,[7] b. 9 Aug. 1857.
733. LIZZIE HOWE,[7] b. 4 Dec. 1862. d. 16 Dec. 1870.
734. FANNIE ANOLD,[7] b. 10 Jany. 1865.
735.+FREDERICK THOMAS,[7] b. 31 July 1868.

Daniel Blish

Daniel Blish has been a farmer all of his life, and still lives on the farm in Marlboro' which his father, Roger, and his grandfather, David, occupied in their lifetimes. It is a fine location, the dwelling house standing on the side of a hill, commanding a beautiful view of the valley below.

Here he has spent over eighty-six years, universally honored and respected; a Christian whom it is a satisfaction to meet and whose hearty greeting is like a benediction. The compiler recalls his visits to this place, with pleasure, and the cordial reception accorded to him by the host and his estimable wife.

References—*Marlboro', Conn. Tn. Rec. and Eastbury, Conn. Ch. Rec.*

390. EMILY[6] BLISH SUTHERLAND.

(Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EMILY,[6] dtr. of Aaron[5] (172) and Roxana (Webster) Blish, was b. 2 June 1816. She m. 20 Mar. 1843, Bethuel, s. of Smith S. and Jane (Bogardus) Sutherland. He was b. 27 Feby. 1812. CHILDREN.

I. ADELINE LARAWAY[7] SUTHERLAND, b. 28 June 1845, at Prattsville, N. Y. She m. 7 Nov. 1866, at Jefferson, N. Y. *George Biggs.*
   Issue. 1. Lillian Augusta[8] Biggs, b. 17 Sept. 1870, who m. 20 Mar. 1889, *Frank H. Angier.* They have two children, Helen Francis[9] Angier, b. 27 June 1893, and Roland Sidney[9] Angier, b. 3 May 1902.
   2. Emily Vera[8] Biggs, b. 3 Mar. 1877. d. 17 Sept. 1891.

II. FLORA ADELIA[7] SUTHERLAND, b. 9 Nov. 1847, at Prattsville, N. Y. She m. 12 Feby. 1874, at St. Paul, Minn. *George Washington Oakes.*
   Issue. 1. Bethuel Sutherland[8] Oakes, b. 21 Mar. 1877, and m. 11 Feby. 1902, *Marian Dean Wilkes.*
   2. Edna Louise[8] Oakes, b. 23 July 1879.
   3. Webster Carter[8] Oakes, b. 19 Dec. 1888.

III. HARRIET AUGUSTA[7] SUTHERLAND, b. 6 May 1854, at Equinunk, Penn. She m. 23 Aug. 1877, at St. Paul, Minn. *Sydney Russell DeGraw.*

Bethuel Sutherland kept a hotel, with Harrison French, for seven years at Prattsville, N. Y. He then moved to Equinunk, Penn., where he remained for ten years; then removed to Jefferson, N. Y., where he farmed for eleven years, and then went back to Delaware county, N. Y. In 1871 he moved to St. Paul, Minn., where he has followed railroad contracting and bridge building. Both he and his wife are still living (May, 1904) and enjoying fairly good health. He is 92 and his wife nearly 88.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

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420. JOSEPH[7] BLISH.

(Joseph[6], Joseph[5], Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

JOSEPH[7], s. of Joseph[6] (229) and Temperance (Shaw) Blish, was b. 14 Apr., 1790, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 16 Oct., 1800, Mehitable, dtr. of Joshua and Mehitable (Blossom) Freeman. She was b. 20 Mar., 1789, at Sandwich, Mass.

CHILDREN.

800.+JOSEPH,[8] b. 5 Jany., 1810.
801. HENRIETTA,[8] b. 12 Nov., 1811.
802.+GEORGE,[8] b. 5 May, 1816.

"Joseph Blish, Jr., of Barnstable and Miss Mehitable Freeman, of Sandwich, entered for publication, Sept. 30, 1800.
Jabez Howland, Town Clerk."

"Joseph Blish, 3rd mark for his creatures, a crop off each ear and a slot in the right ear. Entered May 28, 1807.

This Joseph Blish was a farmer and about 1811 went into the tanning business. He afterward got into trouble with the church, as shown by the following entry:

"1825. May 5. Bro. Joseph Blish was charged with three crimes viz:—profanity, intemperance and a contempt for the church. He acknowledged the same and asked forgiveness, which was granted, but he was admonished that such offenses should not be repeated."

Mehitable Freeman, his wife, was a descendent of Edmond Freeman, who came to America about 1637. The compiler saw her at LaSalle, Ills., in 1880, when she was 91 years old, and was then active and about the house, and gave many details of family history. She d. at LaSalle, at the home of her son Joseph (800).

References—*Barn. Tn. and Ch. Rec. and Freeman Gen.*

421. DR. CHARLES[7] BLISH.

(Joseph[6], Joseph[5], Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

CHARLES[7], s. of Joseph[6] (229) and Temperance (Shaw) Blish, was b. 12 Apr. 1792, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 8 Dec. 1822, at Hampton, Penn. Rebecca Ann McGrew.

CHILDREN.

803. RETURA SIDNEY,[8] b. 28 Dec., 1823. m. Dr. White.
804. HANNAH AGNES,[8] b. 30 Oct. 1825, m. 4 Feby. 1862, *Jacob Herman*, and lives at Columbus, Ohio. No issue.
805. OLIVE OAKS,[8] b. ..... Aug. 1827.
806. CHARLES MARION,[8] b. ..... 1829.
807. ANN ELIZA,[8] b. .....
808. ANNAH JESSIE BROWN,[8] b. .....
809. LEMUEL SHAW,[8] b. .....
810. ALICE ALDEN,[8] b. .....
811. EMMA WELD,[8] b. .....
812. TEMPERANCE PATIENCE McGREW,[8] b. .....
813. MARY ELLEN MARSTON,[8] b. .....
814. FRANCIS HARTMAN,[8] b. .....
815. SARAH ADELAIDE,[8] b. 29 Sept. 1846, d. 19 Oct. 1877, of consumption.

Charles[7] Blish had an academic education and studied medicine with the intention of fitting himself for a ship's surgeon, and while on his way to go on board of his vessel, he was thrown from his carriage and had a leg broken. He returned home and after his recovery spent some time in Norfolk, Vir., then returned to Pennsylvania, resuming his practice, and finally settled at Hampton, Penn., where he remained. He d. 9 May 1861, at Hampton, and his wife d.....at the same place. Hannah Agnes (804) is the only survivor of the family.

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422. GEORGE[7] BLISH.

(Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GEORGE[7], s. of Joseph[6] (229) and Temperance (Shaw) Blish, was b. 5 June 1794, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 23 Feby. 1822, by the Rev. Enoch Pratt, to Rebecca P. Fish. She was b. 25 Sept. 1800. The Church record gives the marriage as 11 Apr. 1822, and the first date may have been the publication of the bans.

CHILDREN.

816. EBENEZER,[8] b. 31 July 1823. d. 7 June 1825.
817. ELIZA WELLS,[8] b. 23 Sept. 1824. M. and d. leaving one grand-child.
818.+TEMPERANCE SHAW,[8] b. 28 July 1826.
819. HANNAH,[8] b. 11 Dec. 1827. d. unmarried at Boston, 11 Nov. 1847.
820. SUSAN S.[8] b. ..... 1835. d. 9 Apr. 1847, in Baltimore, unmarried.
821. REBECCA A.[8] b. ..... 1850. d. 17 Nov. 1886, at Boston, Mass.

George[7] Blish after his marriage carried on a farm at West Barnstable, and the first four children were born there. About 1832, he sold out the farm and removed to Boston. He was the last Blish left on Cape Cod, and the land he sold had been in the family for nearly two centuries. In Boston he carried on a trade in West Indies goods, from 1832 to 1846. He was employed in the Custom House from 1847 to 1857. In 1858 he invented a stove polish, but for lack of capital, he failed to make a financial success of it. The Morse's afterwards took up the polish, named it the "Rising Sun," advertised it extensively and made a great fortune from it. George[7] Blish was in the commission business from 1858 until 1868. Mr. Gustavus A. Hinckley, of Barnstable, who, when a young man, boarded with the family in Boston, says that he was one of the most genial and companionable of men. He d. 16 May 1869, at Boston, Mass., and is buried at Barnstable. His wife d. 16 Dec. 1886, at Boston, and is buried beside her husband.

References—*Barn. Tn. Rec. Barn. Ch. Rec. West Barnstable tombstones, and Boston City Directories.*

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424. OAKES SHAW[7] BLISH.

(Joseph[6], Joseph[5], Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

OAKES SHAW[7], s.of Joseph[6] (229) and Temperance (Shaw) Blish, was b. 16 Mar. 1798, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. ..... 1835 at Philadelphia, Penn., Myra Myers.

CHILD.

822. MYRA OAKS,[8] b. ..... m. *John Wyrick*, of LaSalle, Ills. Was living in Des Moines, Iowa, at a recent date.

Oakes Shaw[7] Blish after his marriage, went to St. Louis, Mo. and bought a farm. He remained there for several years, and then removed to Evansville, Indiana, and engaged in the marble business. He last went to La Salle, Illinois, where his nephew Joseph (800) resided. At the time of his removal here, he was in failing health, and he d. at La Salle,....., 1852. His wife, Myra, d....., 1875, at Red Oak, Iowa.

Reference—*Barn. Th. Rec.*

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428. TIMOTHY[7] BLISH.

(Joseph[6], Joseph[5], Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

TIMOTHY[7], s. of Joseph[6] (229) and Temperance (Shaw) Blish, was b. 20 June 1805, at West Barnstable, Mass. He m. 2 Mar. 1835, at Plymouth, Mass., Lucia Ann Goodwin. She was b. 28 Sept. 1811, at Plymouth.

CHILDREN.

823. ARIADNE,[8] b. 2 Dec. 1855, at Cambridge, Mass. She received a thorough education, and for many years was engaged in teaching in Cambridge and Boston. She is now occupying the old family homestead, at 39 Dana street, Cambridge.

824. FREDERICK WILLIAM,[8] b. 29 Dec. 1838. d. 14 Sept. 1839.

Timothy[7] Blish was a merchant in Boston from 1829 to the time of his death. His brother George was interested with him in 1838-9. From 1829 to1834, he was in company with a Mr. Foster, the names Blish & Foster appearing in the directory during that time. He was a man of scholarly habits and refined tastes and highly respected. He d. 5 Apr. 1841, of consumption. His wife d. 19 Oct. 1889, at Cambridge. The following notice appeared in the Boston papers:—

"BLISH. In Cambridge, Oct. 19th. Mrs. Lucia Ann Goodwin, widow of Timothy Blish, 78 years. Funeral at 39 Dana St. on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd, at 11 o'clock a. m. Friends are requested not to send flowers."

References—*Barn. Th. Rec. and Boston City Directories.*

431. OWEN[7] BLISS (BLISH) JR.

(Owen[6], Benjamin[5], Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

OWEN Jr[7]. s. of Owen[6] (234) and Sarah (Crowell) Blish, was b. 4 Oct. 1797, at Yarmouth, Mass. He m. .... 1841, at Hartford, Conn., Caroline Hart, dtr. of Nathan and Roxana (Hart) Jagger. She was b. 26 Sept. 1812, at Rocky Hill, Conn.

CHILDREN.

825.+MARIA JANE,[8] b. 26 Feby. 1844, at Centreville, Mass.
826.+EUNICE LOVELL,[8] b. 4 Sept. 1846.
827. LUCY ELMER,[8] b. 15 Dec. 1848. m. by Rev. N. Fullerton, of Barnstable, 31 Dec. 1873, to *Simeon Litteney*, carpenter, of Boston. He was s. of Cornelius and Olivia Litteney, and born in Nova Scotia, in 1849.
828. MARGARET GRIMES,[8] b. 23 Dec. 1850.

Owen Bliss was a tall man, over six feet in heighth. He went to sea with his father at the age of fifteen. He was in the U. S. Navy for some years, where he lost a thumb, and was obliged to retire from the service. He was in the coasting trade for some years, but retired at the age of fifty, and settled on a farm in Centreville, where the remainder of his days were spent. He d. 26 Sept. 1874, at Centreville, Mass., and is buried in Osterville cemetery. His wife d. ....., and is buried in the same place.

References—*Bliss Gen. Yarmouth Tn. Rec.*

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438. ABRAHAM[7] BLISS (BLISH.)

(Owen[6], Benjamin[5], Joseph[4], Joseph[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

ABRAHAM[7], s. of Owen[6] (234) and Sarah (Crowell) Blish, was b. 18 June 1817, at Barnstable, Mass. He m. 3 Oct

1842, at Providece, R. I. Mary Ann, dtr. of Benjamin and Sabra Sherman (Tripp) Cornell. She was b. 28 Mar. 1822, at Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

829.+EUNICE REBECCA,[8] b. 17 Apr. 1843, at Providence, R. I.
830. MARY ADELAIDE,[8] b. 15 Jany. 1845. d. 27 Feby. 1848.
831. SABRA ELNORA,[8] b. 14 Feby. 1847. d. 10 Sept. 1847.

Abraham[7] Bliss was a painter and lived at Pawtucket and Providence, R. I. His wife d. 25 Dec. 1890, at Providence, and is buried in Swanpoint cemetery. He d. 18 Jany. 1892, and is buried in the same place.

Reference—*Bliss Gen.*

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168. DANIEL[7] BLISH.

(John[6], Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

DANIEL[7], s. of John[6] (243) and Sarah (Farnsworth) Blish, was b. 2 Feby. 1805, at Vassalboro, Maine. He m. ....., Mary Petts, of Gravesend, England.

CHILD.

850. DANIEL PETTS,[8] b. ..... When last heard from he was a claim and pension agent, located at Sioux City, Iowa.

Daniel[7] Blish in his early manhood, followed the sea for some twelve years, and thus got acquainted with his future wife, while in England. Soon after his marriage, he settled in Vassalboro, and followed the occupation of shoemaker, the remainder of his life. He d. 2 May 1882, at East Vassalboro, and is buried in the Friend's cemetery. His wife d. ....., and is buried in the same place.

Reference—*Vassalboro, Me. Tn. Rec.*

DAVID BLISH.

LUCY BLISH. DANIEL BLISH.

MARY HOUGHTON (BRUCE) BLISH.

LILLIAN MARTHA BLISH. FRANK DANIEL BLISH.

472. ARTHUR[7] BLISH.

(John[6], Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

ARTHUR[7], s. of John[6] (243) and Sarah (Farnsworth) Blish, was b. 22Nov. 1812, at Vassalboro, Me. He m. 8 Oct. ....., Ploomy D. Bussell, though Samuel Blish (474) says her name was Mary Ann Buzzell.

CHILD

851. WILLIAM HENRY,[8] b. ..... 184 .

Arthur[7] Blish d. 20 May, 1853, at Vassalboro.

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473. JOHN[7] BLISH.

(John[6], Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

JOHN Jr.[7] s. of John[6] (243) and Sarah (Farnsworth) Blish, was b. 24 Oct. 1817, at Waldoboro, Me. He m. ....., Mary dtr. of James Stafford. She was b. 12 Oct. 1823, at Bloomfield, now Skowhegan, Me.

CHILDREN.

852.+LUCY,[8] b. 12 June 1846.
853.+GEORGE,[8] b. 4 Nov. 1847, at Vassalboro, Me.
854.+ARTHUR,[8] b. 18 Oct. 1853.
855. STACY,[8] b. 7 Apr. 1858. d. 24 Jany. 1892.

Mary, the first wife of John Blish, d. 19 Aug. 1876, and he m. 2nd. Rowena B. Clark, at Boston, Mass.

CHILD of Second Marriage.

856. GREGORY EMERSON,[8] b. 30 May 1877.

John[7] Blish received a common school education, and early learned the mason and bricklayer's trade, of which he made himself a master. He then went to sea, but soon abandoned it and returned to his trade. He later bought a farm in Vassalboro, and divided his time betwen the farm and building. He was an ardent student of history and the Bible, and was well informed on all subjects of general history. He never sought political honors, and was devoted to his home and family. He d. 2 Apr. 1890, at Vassalboro, and is buried in the Friend's cemetery.

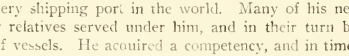
474. CAPT. SAMUEL[7] BLISH.

(John[6], Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

Capt. SAMUEL[7], s. of John[6] (243) and Sarah (Farnsworth) Blish, was b. 17 Feby. 1820. He m. 2 Aug. 1846, Mary H., dtr. of Samuel and Eliza Calder.

CHILD.

857.+JOHN ARTHUR,[8] b. 3 June 1849.



Samuel Blish was a man of good stature and of commanding appearance. He began a seafaring life at the age of seventeen, which he followed the greater part of his life. By his energy and ability, he soon became a ship-master, and in his time has been in almost every shipping port in the world. Many of his nephews and other relatives served under him, and in their turn became masters of vessels. He acquired a competency, and in time gave up the sea and bought a farm near New Bruswick, N. J. where he spent the remainder of his days. He was a successful farmer, and for many years President of the Middlesex County Board of Agriculture. He d. 29 Mar. 1896, at his home. His wife survived him until July 15th, 1900, when she followed her husband to the other world.

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485. BYRON SAMUEL[7] BLISH.

(James[6] Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

BYRON SAMUEL[7], s. of Capt James[6] (246) and Paulina (Baxter) Blish, was b. 16 Apr. 1827. He m. ....., Annie Morris. She was b. 11 Jany. 1835.

CHILDREN.

858. CAROLINE AGRY,[8] b. 7 Jany. 1856.
859. MARY PAULINA,[8] b. 25 Feby 1858.
860. ANNIE MORRIS,[8] b. 27 Feby. 1860.

Bryon Samuel Blish d. 1 Apr. 1867.

487. HANNAH FRACES[7] (BLISH) HORTON.

(James[9], Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

HANNAH FRANCES[7], dtr. of Capt. James[6] (246) and Isabella (Jose) Blish, was b. 26 Aug. 1838, at Hallowell, Maine. She m. (1) Dr. John W. Robinson.

CHILD.

861. FREDERICK SYLVANUS,[8] ROBINSON, b. .....

Dr. John W. Robinson early removed to Kansas, and was the first Secretary of State of that State. He was a surgeon in the war of the Rebellion, and d. at Little Rock, Arkansas, ...

His widow m. (2) James Clark Horton, s. son of James W. and Abba (Clark) Horton, 23 Apr. 1867, at Lawrence, Kansas. He was b. 15 May 1837, at Ballston Spa, N. Y. James Clark Horton went to Lawrence, Kas. in 1857, and was register of deeds for Douglas county, for six years. He was a member of the Kansas legislature in 1874. and State Senator from Douglas county in 1875 and 1876.

Hannah Francis[7] Blish received her education in Boston, Mass. and soon after her marriage to Dr. Robinson, removed to Kansas.

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488. HARRIET ANN HOIT[7] (BLISH) COOK.

(William[6], Stacy[5], John[4], Reuben[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

HARRIET ANN HOLT[7], dtr. of Capt. William[6] (249) and Katharine (Luce) Blish, was b. 22 May 1824 at Vassalboro, Maine. She m. 12 Sept. 1848, at Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., Capt. William, s. of Enoch and Jane Catharine (Ryan) Cook. He was b. 3 Mar. 1822, Baltimore, Md.

CHILDREN.

862. WILLIAM HOWLAND[8] COOK, b. 23 June 1849, at Vineyard Haven, Mass.

863.+ANSEL GRANVILLE[8] COOK, b. 18 Apr. 1862, at Glasgow, Scotland.

Capt. William Cook came from an old New England family that settled at Wallingford, Conn., and had followed the sea for

generations. He received his educaton at Wilbraham Academy, and then took up the calling of his ancestors, with such success that he became a ship-master before he was twenty- two years old. He was one of the California pioneers, having sailed there in command of a ship in 1849. While on this trip he relieved the crew and passengers of a shipwrecked vessel, with large-hearted generosity and great personal inconvenience and expense. During the war of the Rebellion he had charge of the Consulate at Glasgow, Scotland. His patriotism and sagacity enabled him to detect the outfitting of a privateer for preying upon American shipping, and the proofs which he furnished Mr. Adams at London, which were by him presented to the British Minister, prevented the vessel's departure. For this service, Capt. Cook received the thanks of our government, through Mr. Seward, then Secretary of State.

He bore prosperity with elation, and misfortune and shipwreck with the courage of true manhood. He was an accurate observer and a clear reasoner and had fine conversational powers. The great fund of information which he acquired by extensive travel over the world, made him a most entertaining and instructive companion. His later years were spent in the quaint old Village of Vineyard Haven. When in his latter days, deafness secluded him from general society, he found solace in his books and in Grace Episcopal church, of which he was Junior Warder. He was early at church, seeing that all was in order. He had come thus on the morning of his death, and while the church bell was summoning the congregation, as he stood talking to the Rector, Dr. Oliver, he sank to the floor, and his spirit departed. In the presence of such a departure, one might well sey—

"Let me die the death of righteous,
And let mine end be like his."

His death occurred 28 Aug. 1892.

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497. CLIFTON HASWELL[7] MOORE.

(Philena[6], Benjamin[5], Benjamin[4], Tristram[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

CLIFTON HASWELL[7], s. of Isaac and Philena[6] (282) (Blish) Moore, was b. 26 Oct. 1817, at Kirtland, Ohio. He m. 14 Aug. 1845, Elizabeth Richmond.

CHILDREN.

I. ARTHUR[8], MOORE, b. ..... d. 15 Nov. 1891.
II. WINIFRED,[8] MOORE, b. ..... Winifred Moore m. 26 Mar. 1868, *Vespasian Warner*, who became a law partner of her father, and they have one son, Clifton Moore Warner, b. ..... She d. ..... Vespasian Warner served five years in the Civil War, leaving the service with the rank of Lieut. Col. He has served his district eight years in Congress and was one of the candidates for Governor the present year, (1904).
III. KLEBER[8] MOORE, b. ..... d. 10 July 1854.
IV. WILLIAM[8], MOORE, b. ..... d. 25 Mar. 1867.

Elizabeth Richmond Moore d..... and Clifton H. Moore, m. (2) .... July, 1873, Rose Onstine.

Yours truly
C H Moore

Clifton Haswell[7] Moore came from revolutionary ancestry. His grand-father was John Moore, who left an orphan at the age of five years, was apprenticed to an uncle, named Hyde, who lived near the line between Maryland and Deleware. Reared in such a locality, he became accustomed to border warfare and Indian fighting. He enlisted in the 3rd. regiment of New York volunteers commanded by Col. Ganesvort, and was afterward transferred to the first Regiment, commanded by Col. Goose Van Shaick. He was at Fort Stanwix, when it was besieged by St. Leger, with his British regulars and Indians. After the surrender of Burgoyne, his regiment, under Col. Ganesvort, was ordered south to join Gen. Washington's army at or near New York City, and remained with him during all of those masterly movements from New York to Yorktown, that culminated in the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and the independence of the United States. He was discharged from the army at New Windsor, near West Point. He had two sons and four daughters, and the entire famly came to Ohio, about 1811, and settled in Geauga and Cuyahoga counties. John Moore lived in Kirtland and Chester, until he died in 1845, aged about 95 years, and he is buried in Chester. Isaac Moore, son of John Moore, was a farmer in comfortable circumstances, owning some 200 acres of land in Kirtland, much of which he cleared off himself. In the winter of 1829-30, he exchanged this farm with the Mormons, for a farm at Warrensville, Ohio. This was the first farm bought by the Mormons from an unbeliever. The Mormons were in full force there at that time, and most of the theological luminaries and dignitaries of that

faith were to be seen and heard. Clifton Haswell Moore, as a boy of fifteen, remembers Hartwell, Badger, Rigdon, Alexander Campbell and his father Thomas Campbell, Joseph Smith, the prophet, and his father and brothers, P. P. Pratt, Orson Hyde and the Evangelists, Bouchard, Finney and Foote. He says that Foote could distance Milton and Dante in describing the torments of the damned. He delighted in working up his audience to a pitch of frenzy, by picturing the flames of hell and the torments of everlasting fire and brimstone. Clifton Haswell Moore remained at home, working on the farm until he was sixteen years old, when his father "gave him his time." He went to school at Bedford that summer, and continued, alternately teaching and going to school, until the spring of 1839, when he decided to leave Ohio for the west. About the first of May, 1839, he arrived at Pekin, Illinois, with less than five dollars in his pocket, but willing to do any kind of work that was respectable. He first taught school at Pekin, which then had more wealth than Peoria, though not quite as large in population. He afterward procured employment in the offices of the circuit and county clerks, and began reading law under Bailey & Wilmot, and in July, 1841, he removed to Clinton, in Dewitt county, then a small village of only some twelve families, and began his career as a lawyer and business man. This was in the days of the "circuit riders." Samuel H. Treat was the judge of the court, and his circuit embraced some thirteen counties. A term of court rarely occupied more than three days, and court was usually held twice a year. Young Moore thus had the opportunity to become personally acquainted with Abraham Lincoln, David Davis, and other lawyers eminent in their day, who followed the judge around the circuit. Mr. Moore early saw that the practice of the law, in a country town, would never bring a man independence, and he also foresaw that the black soil of Illinois would some day become very valuable. In 1852 he formed a partnership with Judge David Davis, for the purpose of buying and trading in lands, selling only enough to keep out of debt. This was his master stroke, and it was only a few years, until his law business became a side issue, it requiring all of his time to attend to his lands and farms. The partnership was dissolved by the death of Judge Davis, June 26th, 1886. Mr. Moore became very wealthy, and his wildest dreams as to the future value of Illinois lands, were doubled and trebled, in his lifetime. He saw the little Village of Clinton grow to a prosperous City. His estate was estimated at $2,500,000,at the time of his death. His pros-

perity enabled him to indulge in the gratification of his tastes, one of which was his passion for fine books. He accumulated and left, at the time of his death, one of the finest private libraries in the west, which included hundreds of volumes of rare books, choice editions, illuminated works and fine bindings.

Personally he was one of the most genial and companionable of men. He was large-hearted, charitable and considerate, an upright and honorable citizen.

In religion he was a liberal, and though he never united with any church he aided them all. He placed pipe organs in three churches in Clinton, and his others benefactions were numerous. He died April 29th, 1901, honored and mourned by the entire community, for which he had done so much.

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499. HENRY CLAY[7] MOORE.

(Philena,[6] Benjamin,[5] Benjamin,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HENRY CLAY,[7] s. of Isaac and Philena[6] (282) (Blish) Moore was b. 23 Oct. 1831, at Warrensville, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio. He m. 9 Apr. 1858, at Leroy, Bremer Co., Iowa, Elizabeth, dtr. of Stephen and Laura (Stephenson) Parkhurst. She was b. 18 Mar. 1842, at Hartland, Huron Co. Ohio.

CHILD.

1. ELLA LAURA[8] MOORE, b. 29 Sept. 1860. She m. 10 Sept. 1884, *William Hontz Needham*, s. of Lieut. Gov. Needham. He d. 13 Nov. 1884, and his widow m. 26 Mar. 1889, at Los Angeles, Calif., *John Pigott Spencer*, s. of Asa and Phoebe (Pigott) Spencer.

Henry Clay[7] Moore went to Bremer County, Iowa, in 1854. Later he served three consecutive terms as County Clerk. He afterwards engaged in the lumber business and was also interested in coal mining in southern Iowa. About 1887 he retired from active business, and has since taken life easy, looking after his health and enjoying himself.

500. GEORGE[7] BLISH.

(Bejamin[6], Benjamin[5], Benjamin[4], Tristram[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1],)

GEORGE[7], s. of Benjamin[6] (277) and Artemesia (Perkins) Blish, was b. 1 Feby. 1834 at Painesville, Ohio. He m. 23 May 1861, at Mentor, Ohio, Ediltha, dtr. of James and Mary (Diller) Prouty. She was b....., Sept. 1836, at Mentor, Ohio.

Ediltha, wife of George Blish d....., 1882, and he m. (2) ..... 1885, Helen D. Pardee, dtr. of James and Harriet (Corning) Dickey.

George[7] Blish has been a farmer all his life, and a successful short-horn breeder. He now resides in the Village of Mentor and has been Mayor, and is a man highly respected in the community.

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502. LYDIA[7] BLISH STEELE.

(Zenas[6], Benjamin[5], Benjamin[4], Tristram[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

LYDIA[7], dtr. of Zenas[6] (281) and Vashti (Ingersoll) Blish, was b. 26 Sept. 1822, at Mentor, Ohio. She m. 25 May 1843, Horace, s. of Horace and Mehitable (Clark) Steele. He was b. 14 May 1820, at Montpelier, Vermont.

CHILDREN.

865. HORACE BLISH[8] STEELE, b. 27 Oct. 1844.
866. HELEN LYDIA[8] STEELE, b. 20 June 1847.
867. EMMA LUCINDA[8] STEELE, b. 13 Jany. 1851.
868. GEORGE CLARK[8] STEELE, b. 3 Feby. 1853.

Horace Steele's early training was received in his father's newspaper office in Buffalo, N. Y. He located at Painesville, Ohio, in 1836, and remaind there the rest of his life. He was engaged in banking and railroading, and was always an active man. He was an ardent friend of James A. Garfield, and stumped the district during Garfield's presidential campaign. He was Mayor of Painesville, for three successive terms. He was a descendant of George Steele, b. in Essex county, England, and who came to America in 1631, and settled in Cambridge, Mass., but about 1639 removed to Hartford, Conn. where he d. in 1663, "a very old man."

Lydia[7] Blish was educated at the Kirtland (Ohio) Seminary, and after graduation taught school at Mentor for two years. She was a woman of rare mental qualities.

George Steele d. 28 Sept. 1898, at Painesville. His wife, Lydia, d. at the same place, 2 Jany. 1896, and both are buried in Evergreen cemetery.

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503. LUCINDA[7] BLISH SAWYER.

(Zenas[6], Benjamin[5], Benjamin[4], Tristram[3], Joseph[2], Abraham[1].)

LUCINDA[7], dtr. of Zenas[6] (281) and Vashti (Ingersoll) Blish, was b. 23 June 1824, at Mentor, Ohio. She m. 1 Nov. 1849, Almon, s. of Joseph and Rhoda (Fole) Sawyer. He was b. 9 Mar. 1822, at Mentor, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

869. ZENAS BLISH[8] SAWYER, b. 13 Nov. 1852.
870. MARY LUCINDA[8] SAWYER, b. 3 Oct. 1854. d. 8 Sept. 1856.
871. WILLARD ALMON[8] SAWYER, b. 6 July, 1857.
872. EDWARD STEELE[8] SAWYER, b. 12 July, 1859.

Almon Sawyer was a prosperous and progressive farmer, and occupied many positions of public trust. He was a large man of powerful physique and an indefatigable worker.

Lucinda[7] Blish was educated at the Kirtland, O., seminary. She d. 23 Aug. 1869, and her husband, Almon Sawyer, d. 23 Apr. 1873. Both are buried at Mentor, Ohio.

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506. ABBIE ANN[7] (BLISH) DORRANCE.

(Elisha,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ABBIE ANN,[7] dtr. of Elisha[6] (286) and Laura (Button) Blish, was b. 20 June 1823, at Essex, Conn. She m. 20 Dec. 1876, at Willmantic, Conn, Appleton, s. of Gershom and Sarah (Rossiter) Dorrance.

They had no children. Appleton Dorrance was a farmer and market gardner. His wife Abbie was an intelligent and fine appearing woman. Four years before her death she had the mis-

fortune to break a leg, and was lame ever after. Appleton Dorrance d. 18 June 1887, at Andover, Conn. and his wife, Abbie, d. 10 Apr. 1889. He is buried in Andover and she is buried in the family lot in Willimantic.

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507. HANNAH MARIA[7] (BLISH) YOUNG.

(Elisha,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HANNAH MARIA,[7] dtr. of Elisha[6] (286) and Laura (Button) Blish, was b. 8 July 1825, at Essex, Conn. She m. ..... June 1847, at Willimantic, Conn. Chipman, s. of Anson and Eunice (Selden) Young. He was b. .....

CHILDREN.

873. MARY ELIZA[8] YOUNG, b. 5 Feby. 1848, at Windham, Conn. d. 19 May 1876.
874. RODERIC[8] YOUNG, b. 3 Mar. 1849.
875. ABBIE LAURA[8] YOUNG, b. 7. Aug. 1852, d. 7 Apr. 1856.
876. WILLIAM CHIPMAN[8] YOUNG, b. 7 May 1857.
877. FREDERIC[8] YOUNG, b. 9 Sept. 1861.

Chipman Young was a prosperous farmer of Willimantic. He d. 9 Apr. 1890, from the effect of a cancer in the face, from which he was a great sufferer. His wife survivied him, and lived on the home place, where she d. 20 Aug. 1903, of appoplexy. She was a large, fleshy woman.

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510. ASA HILLS[7] BLISH.

(Elisha,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ASA HILLS,[7] s. of Elisha[6] (286) and Laura (Button) Blish, was b. 20 Oct. 1833, at Hebron, Conn. He m. 25 Nov. 1865, at Stafford Springs, Conn. Nellie, dtr. of William and Louise (Steele) Gaines. She was b. 16 Dec. 1839, at West Hartford, Conn.

Asa Hills[7] Blish was crippled from childhood. He was a harness maker by trade. He d. 18 Jany. 1892, at Willimantic, Conn.

512. WILLIAM LORIN[7] BLISH.

(Elisha,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM LORIN,[7] s. of Elisha[6] (286) and Laura (Button) Blish, was b. 20 Nov. 1838, at Middle Haddam, Conn. He m. 2 Oct. 1864, at Willimantic, Conn. Jane, dtr. of John and Nancy (Douglas) Smith. She was b. 3 Dec. 1845, at new London, Conn.

CHILDREN.

878. WILLIAM ARTHUR,[8] b. 5 Mar. 1876, at Willimantic, Conn. He enlisted as a naval Cadet, and served five years on the U. S. Steamship Philadelphia, during which time he visited many places, in the long cruises made by that vessel.
879. ERNEST LUVERNE,[8] b. 5 May 1878.

William Lorin Blish is a deaf mute, but a remarkably bright and intelligent man. He has been employed as a carpenter and wood turner for the Willimantic Thread Company, for over thirty-five years. He was educated at the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Hartford, Conn.

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513. HENRY FRANCIS[7] BLISH.

(Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HENRY FRANCIS,[7] s. of Robert Stiles[6] (291) and Dolly (McCall) Blish, was b. 1 Mar. 1824, at Marlboro, Conn. He m. ....., at Willimantic, Conn. Sarah, dtr. of Charles and Betsey (Tisdale) Freeman. She was b. 30 Dec. 1825, at Hebron, Conn.

CHILDREN.

880. SARAH JANE,[8] b. 18 Dec. 1843.
881. +DWIGHT FRANK,[8] b. 29 Dec. 1847.

When about eighteen years old, Henry Francis[7] Blish left his father's farm and went to Willimantic, and started in business. He was a selfmade man. He was known as "Frank H. Blish," though his name in the old family record, written by Robert Stiles[6] Blish, his father, gives it as "Henry Francis Blish." Doubtless, being called "Frank," he transposed the initial

"H" for convenience. About 1862, he, with A. E. Brooks, later of Hartford, assumed the management of the European House, in Willimantic. In 1867, he bought an interest in the grocery and market business, with Orange S. Perkins, and this partnership continued until Mr. Blish's death, some twenty-five years, it being the oldest grocery house then in business in Willimantic. In 1873, Mr. Blish represented his Town in the State Legislature. He was a member of the Veterans Corps of the Putnam Phalanx, and assistant paymaster for several years. He also held many local offices. He d. 12 Aug. 1892, and is buried in the Willimantic cemetery. At his funeral, his two brothers, Lester and Albert, his son Dwight Frank and his long time partner in business, O. S. Perkins, acted as bearers. His wife, Sarah, d. 20 July, 1894, and is buried beside her husband.

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514. LEWIS[7] BLISH.

(Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LEWIS,[7] s. of Robert Stiles[6] (291) and Dolly (McCall) Blish, was b. 22 Oct. 1827, at So. Coventry, Conn. He m. ....., 1852, at Coventry, Julia, dtr. of Benjamin and Fannie (Keytch) Wallen. She was b. at Killingly, Conn.

CHILD.

882. MARTHA R.[8] b. ....., 1853. She m. ....., 1884, *David Day*, and he d. 26 May, 1890. No issue. She d. 24 Jany. 1903.

Lewis[7] Blish was a cotton mill operative, and later became a superintendent. He was a genial man, devoted to his home and family. He d. 6 Feby, 1886, and is buried in Willimantic.

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515. JOHN LESTER[7] BLISH.

(Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN LESTER,[7] s. of Robert Stiles[6] (291) and Dolly (McCall) Blish, was b. 22 Oct. 1827, and was a twin of Lewis

(514). He m. 28 Mar. 1861, at Willimantic, Conn. Maria J. Mayo. She was b. 25 Nov. 1842, at Grafton, Mass.

CHILDREN.

883.+HARRIET ESTELLA,[8] b. 2 Apr. 1865, at Stafford Springs, Conn.

884. ANNA JOSEPHINE,[8] b. 10 May 1868, at Willimatic, Conn. d. 21 Sept. 1873.

John Lester[7] Blish was of a mechanical turn, and for many years was employed in the cotton mills. Later he was made superintendent of the pumping station of the Willimantic water works, which position he held almost to the time of his death. Like his twin brother he was very genial and fond of society. His wife was a very intelligent and refined woman, and their home was always a pleasant place to be. He d. 17 Dec. 1892, and his remains lie in the Willimantic cemetery.

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517. ALBERT STILES[7] BLISH.

(Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ALBERT STILES,[7] s. of Robert Stiles[6] (291) and Dolly (McCall) Blish, was b. 28 Jany. 1836, at Mansfield, Conn. He m. 14 Sept. 1859, at Colchester, Conn. Elizabeth, dtr. of Rufus and Phebe (Ayres) Riley. She was b. ....., 1838.

CHILDREN.

885. EDWARD A.[8] b. 29 July 1860, at Colchester, Conn.

886. MARIA E.[8] b. 19 May 1862, at Willimatic, Conn.
Some misunderstanding caused trouble and Albert S. Blish and his wife were separated and divorced. He m. (2) 30 Apr. 1883, *Jane A.*, dtr. of Oliver Wells.

Albert Stiles[7] Blish at the age of sixteen began working in the cotton mills, and for several years before the civil war was an overseer for the Jillson Mfg. Co. of Willimantic. At the call for troops, at the breaking out of the civil war, he enlisted at Willimantic, but the company was not accepted, the quota having been filled. Later, in July 1862, he enlisted in Co. H. 18th Infty, and was made Sergeant. He served through the war, and was discharged 27 June 1865, and mustered out in July following. On his return he secured a position as overseer in a cotton mill at Stafford, Conn., where he remained for several years. In 1882

he purchased a place in Hebron, Conn., where he has since lived, farming in a small way. In Hebron has served as Town Clerk, grand juror, etc. In 1890 he was elected Representative to the General Assembly, for two years. Later he was Clerk of the Probate Court.

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529. ABRAM FULLER[7] WILLIAMS.

(Alice,[6] Abraham,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ABRAM FULLER,[7] s. of Daniel and Alice[6] (303) (Blish) Williams, was b. 25 Feby. 1837, at Mayfield, Ohio. He m. 25 Feby. 1874, Jane Ellen Whiting. She was b. 9 Sept. 1843, at Mayfield, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

I. RALPH EARLE[8] WILLIAMS, b. 23 Aug. 1875.
II. ANNA CORNELIA[8] WILLIAMS, b. 17 May 1877.

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575. MARY ELIZA[7] (BLUSH) COMPTON.

(Oliver,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY ELIZA,[7] dtr. of Oliver[6] (326) and Clarissa (Doak) Blush, was b. 20 Aug. 1831, at Burlington, Vermont. She m. 10 Oct. 1851, David L. Compton.

CHILDREN.

889. EDWARD C. COMPTON,[8] b. .....
890. LOUIS D. COMPTON,[8] b. .....

David L. Compton was an engineer on a lake steamer, and d. at his post, at Sault St. Marie, 2 July 1872. His body was brought to Cleveland, Ohio, and buried in Brooklyn cemetery. Mary Eliza[7] Compton d. 29 Aug. 1872, and lies beside her husband.

576. EDWARD TAYLOR CHAUNCEY[7] BLUSH.

(Oliver,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EDWARD TAYLOR CHAUNCEY,[7] s. of Oliver[6] (326), and Clarissa (Doak) Blush, was b. 22 Sept. 1833, at Burlington, Vermont. He m. 28 July 1861, at Columbus, Ohio, Mary dtr. of Major and Harriet (David) Lloyd. She was b. in New Orleans, La.

CHILDREN.

891. EDWARD C.[8] b. 31 May 1862, at Bellfont, Penn.
892. NINA A.[8] b. 6 Mar. 1865, at Seymour, Ind.
893. CLAUDIA B.[8] b. ....., 1866.

Mary L. Blish, d. 10 June 1868, at Seymour Ind., and Edward T. C. Blish m. (2) 7 June 1869, at Bay City, Mich. *Mary*, dtr. of James Miller.

CHILDREN, of Second Marriage.

894. FLORA ELLA,[8] b. 25 Feby. 1870, d. 2 July 1872.
895. GEORGE JAMES,[8] b. 11 Nov. 1872.
896. ANGUS THEOPHILUS,[8] b. 12 Aug. 1874.
897. CLARA MARY,[8] b. 12 Oct. 1878, d. 10 Aug. 1883.

Edward T. C.[7] Blush learned the machinist's trade and worked several years in the C. C. C. shops in Cleveland, Ohio. Then went onto the road and fired an engine for a time, and then had an engine for a year. His health failing, he went south to New Orleans, Houston, Texas and old Mexico, and returning took charge of a steam shovel for the Memphis & Charleston railroad, where he worked for two years. He was in the south when the civil war broke out, and had quite an exciting experience in getting back. He enlisted in the 6th U. S. Cavalry. Was wounded at Gettysburg and laid six months in the hospital. Served three years and a half in the army of the Potomac. After the war was over he returned to his trade, doing railroad work and steam-dredging, at various places. He was for some time in the U. S. secret service. He was a good soldier and faithful in any position. He had many ups and downs in fortune, having been alternately poor and well off several times.

578. ROSAMOND ELIZABETH[7] (BLUSH) MADISON.

(Oliver,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ROSAMOND ELIZABETH,[7] dtr. of Oliver[6] (326) and Clarissa (Doak) Blush, was b. 25 July 1840, at Bloomfield, Mich. She m. 26 Oct. 1863, at Brooklyn, Ohio, Newton, s. of James Doolittle.

CHILDREN.

897. NELLIE ROSAMOND[8] DOOLITTLE, b. 5 Oct. 1864, at Toledo, Ohio.
898. BIRDIE[8] DOOLITTLE, b. 2 Nov. 1868, at Brooklyn, Ohio.

Newton Doolittle d. 16 Sept. 1870, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and was buried at Brooklyn. His widow m. June 10 1872, at Cleveland, Ohio, Joseph, s. of Thomas Madison.

CHILDREN of 2nd. Marriage.

899. OLIVER FRANCIS[8] MADISON, b. 2 Jany. 1875, at Cleveland, Ohio.
900. CLARA ALLEN[8] MADISON, b. 4 Oct. 1879, at Brooklyn, Ohio.

Rosamond Elizabeth[7] Blush graduated at Brooklyn Academy, and for a year afterwards taught a writing school, being very expert in that art.

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579. LEVERET CORNELIUS[7] BLUSH.

(Oliver,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LEVERET CORNELIUS,[7] s. of Oliver[6] (326) and Clarissa (Doak) Blush, was b. 19 Feby. 1843, at Cleveland, Ohio. He m. 6 May 1872, at Cleveland, Henrietta Kirby.

CHILDREN.

901. ANGUS[8] b. 16 Dec. 1872, at Cleveland. d. 2 Jany. 1875.
902. MAUD F.[8] b. 6 Mar. 1876.
903. FLORENCE A.[8] b. 16 Feby 1883, at Pullman, Ills.
904. NETTIE M.[8] b. 3 May 1885, at Cleveland, O.

Leveret Cornelius[7] Blush at the first call for men in 1861, enlisted in the Cleveland Light Artillery. When his first three months were out he re-enlisted for three years. He was in Genl. Sherman's corps, and was taken prisoner at Vicksburg, Miss. He

was confined in Libby prison for nine months, but finally escaped, floating down the river on a log, and reaching Gen. Grant's command. From there he returned to his command at Chattanooga, Tenn. and went with Sherman to the sea. He came out of the war without the loss of a limb but his hair all came out while he was in Libby prison. After coming out of the army he took up railroading, first as a fireman, and in 1870 got an engine, and has kept in the same business ever since. Is on the northern division of the Cotton Belt Railroad. He is a fine musician, and all of his children are musical, Maud being especially fine.

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581. JEROME PITKIN[7] BLUSH.

(Oliver,[6] Amasa,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JEROME PITKIN,[7] s. of Oliver[6] (330) and Harriet (Smith) Blush, was b. 19 June 1825, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. ....., Angeline Lathrop.

CHILDREN.

920. JULIA ANN,[8] b. 6 Sept. 1851, at Middlefield, Mass. She m. 19 Sept. 1871, *Orville W.* s. of William S. and Susan F. Cross.
921. +CHARLES JEROME,[8] b. 3 Aug. 1854.

Jerome Pitkin[7] Blush was a farmer at Middlefield. He d. ..... His wife, Angeline, d. 14 Jany. 1898, at Springfield, Mass.

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. and Ch. Recs.*

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592. WILLIAM CLARK[7] BLUSH.

(William Durant,[6] Amasa,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM CLARK,[7] s. of William Durant[6] (331) and Eliza Ann (Sennett) Blush, was b. 15 Aug. 1838, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. 8 Oct. 1868, at Sheffield, Mass. Catharine Olive, dtr. of Jonathan Bowes and Lydia Ann (Kinney) Graham. She was b. 10 Sept. 1837, at Sheffield, Mass.

CHILD.

922. FRANCIS GRAHAM,[8] b. 4 Oct. 1869. She is a graduate of the Bridgeport, Conn. High school and also of the Bridgeport Training school, since which she has been teaching in the public schools.

William Clark[7] Blush attended the public schools at Middlefield, and later at Lanesboro', Mass. Worked in his father's factories, and later in Bridgeport as a sawyer. He enlisted in the 46th. Regt. Mass. Vols. in Sept. 1862, and returned in July 1863. Is a member of the "Elias Howe" Post, G. A. R. in Bridgeport, and Arcanum Lodge, I. O. O. F. Came to Bridgeport in 1879. Though not an office seeker, he takes an active interest in politics.

References—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. Rec.*

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599. EDWARD DURANT[7] BLUSH.

(William Durant,[6] Amasa,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EDWARD DURANT,[7] s. of William Durant[6] (331) and Mary W. (Prentice) Blush, was b. 8 Dec. 1860, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. 1 Oct. 1884, Belle S., dtr. of William H. and Susan Harper.

They separated, and he m. (2), 22 Sept. 1892, Elizabeth Troutman Newcomb.

CHILD.

923. ETHEL MAY,[8] b. 30 Nov. 1895.

Reference—*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. Rec.*

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603. LUCY DELANCE[7] RICHARDSON.

(Anne,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LCUY, dtr. of Delevan and Anne (Blish) (341) Delance, was b. 11 Feby. 1798, at Essex, N. Y. She m. 29 May 1825, Stoughton D. Richardson.

CHILDREN.

924. HELEN H.[8] RICHARDSON, b. 27 Mar. 1826, at Essex, N. Y. She m. 12 Nov. 1855, *Edward H. Stickney*, of Aux Sable Forks, N. Y., and had—
   I. Annie E.[9] b. 15 July 1857, and m. Aug. 1875, *George L. Gray*, of Ithaca, N. Y.
   II. Lucy Helen,[9] b. 22 Dec. 1862, and m. 10 June, 1886, *Henry E. Gillespie*.

925. MARY JANE[8] RICHARDSON, b. 2 July 1831. d. 31 July 1831.

Lucy Delance[7] Richardson d. 24 Aug. 1864, at Aux Sable Forks. N. Y.

Helen Richardson[8] Stickney d. 6 Dec. 1895, at Aux Sable Forks.

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612. MARY WILCOX[7] (BLISH) NEWELL.

(Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY WILCOX,[7] dtr. of Daniel[6] (343) and Beulah (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 14 Sept. 1814, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 27 Oct. 1813, Daniel Beckwith, s. of Rufus Newell, of Sutton, Vermont.

CHILDREN.

926. +MARTHA REBECCA[8] NEWELL, b. 13 June 1832.

927. LUTHER BOARDMAN[8] NEWELL, b. 15 Apr. 1834. m. ....., 1861, *Sarah Wakworth Purmort*. He graduated from the Vermont University, just before the breaking out of the civil war. He began teaching at Westport, and continued through the war. He was a thorough and successful instrustor. From 1876 to 1882 he was School Commissioner of the 2nd. District of Essex County. He conducted Institutes and was a lecturer. He also served as Supervisor of Westport. He was a man of unswerving integrity and universally respected. He d. ..... Jany. 1896, at his home in Westport, N. Y.

928. +BEULAH BLISH[8] NEWELL, b. 12 Apr. 1836.

929. ISAAC DENISON[8] NEWELL, b. 10 June 1838. m. ..... May 1867, *Harriet N. Buttrick*. He graduated from the Albany Normal School, and thereafter devoted his life to teaching. He was County Superintendent of Schools in Essex county N. Y., and unusually successful in his work. In 1867 he went to St. Cloud, Minn., and went into business, but soon returned to his favorite work at Minneapolis, where he had charge of the Jefferson school, for several years. For his work here he was promoted to the superintendency of the Washington school, and at once set about to prepare for the task before him. His zeal and untiring devotion to his work, probably cost him his life, as he fell ill and died 8 Sept. 1872, before he assumed control of his new field. His death was sincerely mourned by all of the friends of the schools in Minneapolis. He was an honest, earnest, sincere Christian man, whose life work was well done.

930. ELECTA ALMIRA[8] NEWELL, b. 7 July 1840, d. 19 Sept. 1842, at Jay, N. Y.
931. MARY ROSALIE[8] NEWELL, b. 30 July 1847. m. 12 Aug. 1875, *Henry M. Chase.*
932. ARTHUR DANIEL[8] NEWELL, b. 19 Mar. 1852. m. 11 Dec. 1879, *Charlotte Van Orman.*

Daniel Beckwith Newell was a well-to-do farmer. He d. 16 Aug. 1866, at Minneapolis, Minn., while on a visit to his daughter. Mary Wilcox Blish was a devoted wife and mother, and thro' a lingering illness, afflicted with dropsy, she was patient and cheerful. She d. 15 Jany. 1865, at Jay, N. Y.

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613. DANIEL[7] BLISH, Jr.

(Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL,[7] s. of Daniel[6] (343) and Beulah (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 6 Jany. 1817, at Jay, Essex Co. N. Y. He m. 8 Jany. 1840, at Jay, Mary Houghton, dtr. of Joseph and Rebecca (Houghton) Bruce.* She was b. 5 Oct. 1817, at Jay.

CHILDREN.

933.+DAVID,[8] b. 8 Apr. 1841.
A daughter, unnamed, d. at birth in 1844.
934. LUCY,[8] b. 9 Oct. 1846. She d. 26 Sept. 1863, at Appleton, Wisconsin, of typhoid fever. She was a student in Lawrence University, and her brother David was at that time in business there. She was a bright and beautiful girl, and her sudden death was a crushing blow to her mother and relatives. Her remains were taken to Jay, N. Y., and interred beside those of her father.
935.+LILLIAN MARTHA,[8] b. 13 Feby. 1849.
936.+FRANK DANIEL,[8] b. 30 June 1852.

Daniel[7] Blish Jr. was a farmer, but also had a saw-mill, a forge for manufacturing iron and a store for general merchandise. He was supervisor for the Town of Jay for many years,

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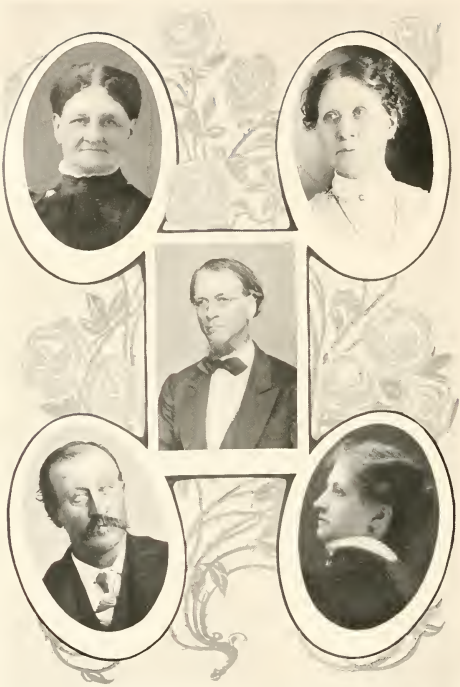
*Joseph Bruce, son of Benjamin, was a private in Capt. Daniel Blish's Co. 3rd. Battalion, N. Y. Militia, in the war of 1812. His name appears on a roll which shows his term of service to have begun 9 Sept. 1813—2 mos. 11 days. (*Record Pension Office Wash. D. C.*)

Benjamin Bruce applied for a pension 9 Oct. 1819, at which time he was 59 years old, and resided at Jay, N. Y. His pension was allowed for three years service as a private in the Mass. troops in the Revolutionary war. He enlisted at Bolton, Mass., and served under Capt. Barnes and Col. Bigelow.

—*Bureau of Pensions, Wash. D. C., Mass. Sold. & Sailors in Rev.*



MARY E. (JONES) BULL. MARGARET E. (JONES) THOMPSON.

PIERPONT EDWARDS JONES.

DANIEL BLISH JONES. MARTHA E. JONES.

and held many Town offices. He also owned large tracts of wild or unimproved land.

He d. 12 Dec. 1856, at the Blish homestead in Jay, the same house in which he was born.

In Oct. 1856, the upper dam on the Aux Sable river gave way, causing a terrible flood, which swept suddenly down the valley, carrying devastation and destruction in its course; several lives were lost. Every Town suffered, and Daniel Blish's mills and buildings were destroyed. In the excitement and worry incident to getting matters straightened out, he sickened and died, necessitating a sale of his property. The widow secured the greater part of the home farm, beside some other property.

She m. (2), 4 Apr. 1860, at Jay, N. Y. Dea. Austin Hickok. He was b. 15 Dec. 1804, in New Haven, Vermont. He was, at the time of this marriage, a widower, with four sons, all of whom, later enlisted in the union army, and one of whom, Isaac, died in the service. Deacon Hickok was a very worthy man and was many years a Justice of the Peace in Jay, N. Y. He removed in Aug. 1872, to Englewood, Ill. where he died, 19 Sept. 1879. His widow Mary, after his death resided with her son Frank Daniel, in Englewood, where she d. 8 May 1893, a loving, patient, self-sacrificing and noble woman.

Reference—*Hayward's Hist. of Gilsum, N. H.*

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614. BEULAH BLISH[7] JONES

(Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BEULAH,[7] dtr. of Daniel[6] (343) and Beulah (Wilcox) Blish, was b. 30 Mar. 1819, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 18 Aug. 1841, Pierpont Edward, s. of Nathan Jones. He was b. 27 June 1819, at Jay, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

937.+MARY EMOGENE[8] JONES, b. 2 Oct. 1843, at Granville, N. Y.
938. MARTHA E.[8] JONES, b. 16 Mar. 1845.
939.+DANIEL BLISH[8] JONES, b. 7 Nov. 1846.
940.+MARGARET ELECTA[8] JONES, b. 7 July 1848.
941.+LYDIA MINERVA[8] JONES, b. 7 July 1850.
942.+ELIJAH BROWN[8] JONES, b. 22 Mar. 1852.
943.+NATHAN HENRY[8] JONES, b. 1 Dec. 1854.
944.+BEULAH BLISH[8] JONES, b. 18 Jany. 1857.
945.+GILMAN MACK[8] JONES, b. 6 Oct. 1862.

Pierpont Edward Jones was a self-made man. In his boyhood he earned his own living and secured a fine education unaided by anyone. He served as janitor at the Plattsburg Academy and at the same time pursued his studies. Soon after he began teaching, in which he was eminently successful. When not teaching he followed farming, but all of the time pursued a systematic course of study. After his marriage he followed farming for some twenty-three years. In 1864 he was appointed to canvass that part of the army in and near the Shenandoah valley, for the votes of soldiers from Essex county. In 1865 he was appointed to a position in the Treasury department at Washington, which position he held for eleven years. In 1877 he and his wife purchased the old Blish Homestead, at Jay, N. Y. He resigned his position in the Treasury department, and accepted another in the post office, at New York City, where he remained three years. He then returned to Jay, to spend the remainder of his days on the old farm. He was not idle then, but ever on the alert to assist in any undertaking. His chief characteristics were perseverance, self-reliance and self-sacrifice. He was a ready and fluent debater, and carefully studied all important questions. He was generous to a fault, and the needy always found in him a ready helper. He died 8 Apr. 1892, at Jay, the place of his birth, and the concourse that followed his remains to the cemetery attested their appreciation of a truly worthy and manly man. Beulah Blish[7] Jones was a fitting mate far her husband and ably seconded him in his efforts. She d. at the old Blish homestead in Jay, in the same house in which she was born, ...Feby. 1887.

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621. DANIEL[7] BLISH.

(David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL,[7] s. of David[6] (346) and Mary or "Polly" (Whitney) Blish, was b. 17 June 1812, at Gilsum, N. H. He m. 12 Nov. 1840, at Ewardsburg, Mich., Julia Ann, dtr. of William B. and Cynthia (Sammons) Gilbert. She was b. 23 Feby. 1821, at Springfield, Otsego Co., N. Y.

CHILDREN.

946.+WILLIAM GILBERT,[8] b. 26 Oct. 1842.
947.+EMILY,[8] b. 27 Aug. 1846.

948.+DAVID,[8] b. 14 Sept. 1853.
949.+FRANK,[8] b. 18 Sept. 1862.

When Daniel[7] Blish was about four years old, his father took the family to Essex county, N. Y. About nine years thereafter he again moved to Peru, N. Y. Daniel learned the mill-wrights trade, and in 1839, came west, and for some years followed his trade, at various points. He repaired his brother David's mill at Escanaba, Mich., built a mill at Niles, Mich., another at Summerville, Cass county, Mich. His father-in-law, William B. Gilbert, gave him 80 acres of land in Silver Creek township, near his own, where he began the work of clearing off the timber and making a farm. After establishing himself here and getting his farm in shape, he bought more land, and put himself into comfortable circumstances. In 1854 he built a new house on the farm, and lived there until 1874, when he moved to Dowagiac. His wife, Julia Ann, died in 1886 and he afterwards made his home with his son David, until 1889, and then with his daughter Emily, until his death, which occurred Nov. 5th, 1893. He was an industrious and economical man, though never niggardly. His mechanical skill and love of order was manifested in everything about his farm. He was very fond of music and a proficient performer upon the flute. As a young man he used to play the fife on training days, and at celebrations on the Fourth of July. He was Supervisor of Silver Creek township for ten years, and a Justice of the Peace for 15 years, until he refused re-election.

Julia Ann, his wife, was a very expert seamstress, with fine mechanical skill. It is related, that before her marriage, not being able to persuade her father to build a stairway to the upper rooms, she proceeded to build it herself, and did a creditable job. She was a helpful wife and a good mother, of whom her children are justly proud. Her father, William B. Gilbert, traced his ancestry to Sir Walter Gilbert. His grand-father was a sea captain, and was captured by the British during the Revolutionary war and thrown into prison where he died. His father resided in New York City, where William B. was born. William B. Gilbert served in the war of 1812, and was in the battle of Kingston. His wife, Cynthia Sammons, was of German descent, and her father was a revolutionary soldier. William B. Gilbert came west in 1838, prospecting, and in 1839, brought his family to Michigan, consisting of his wife and six children. He was a slim man of iron constitution and widely known, and went

by the name of "Uncle Tommy." He died in 1864, at the age of seventy-three.

His wife was one of those good natured, patient German women, who could do the work of a large family, and at the same time do a good days work weaving. She died in 1866, at the age of seventy-one.

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622. DAVID[7] BLISH.

(David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID[7], s. of David[6] (346) and Mary (Whitney) Blish, was b. 30 Nov. 1814, at Surry, N. H. He m. 27 Oct. 1840, at Green Bay, Wis., Adaline Sophia, dtr. of Hon. Robert and Hannah (Reese) Irwin. She was b. 2 Aug. 1823, at Green Bay, Wis.

CHILDREN.

950. +ROBERT IRWIN,[8] b. 20 Aug. 1841, at Green Bay, Wis.
951. WILLIAM DAVID,[8] b. 14 May 1843. d. 6 Sept. 1851, at Chicago, Ill.
952. MARY AUGUSTA,[8] b. 29 July, 1845.
953. CHARLES FREDERIC,[8] b. 21 May 1847. d. 9 Oct. 1860, at Kenosha, Wis.

All of the children, excepting Robert Irwin, were b. at Southport, now Kenosha, Wis.

David[7] Blish was for many years engaged in the lumber trade at Green Bay and Kenosha, Wis. He is described by those who knew him as one of the best of men. Genial, intelligent, and devoted to his family and friends, only words of commendation and praise are spoken of him. His unselfishness and courage are best shown in the tragic manner of his death. On the morning of November 21st, 1847, the propeller "Phoenix" was burned near Sheboygan, Wis. He was on the steamer and did heroic service in rescuing the helpless. He brought many fainting and unconscious women and children from the hold, which was filled with smoke and flames. He was warned by the Captain not to go down again, as the steamer was fast settling, but he insisted in making one more trip, and descended into the hold. He never returned, and was doubtless overcome by the flames and smoke. The vessel shortly went down and he went with her. Mrs..... De Nevue, a lady 83 years of age, now residing on Lake De Nevue, near Fond du Lac, Wis., was well acquainted with David

Blish, and is authority for the foregoing statement. She speaks of him as "one of the best men I ever knew."

His widow, Adaline Sophia Blish, m. (2) 20 Sept. 1849, William Sumner, s. of William and Naomi (Terry) Strong. He was b. 20 Feby. 1820.

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623. MARY JANE[7] (BLISH) CARPENTER.

626. EMILY[7] (BLISH) CARPENTER.

(David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY JANE,[7] dtr. of David[6] (346) and Mary (Whitney) Blish, was b. 27 Jany. 1817, at Jay, N. Y. Se m....., 1834 at Lawrenceville, N. Y., Dr. John Fuller, s. of Nathan and Rhoda (.....) Carpenter. He was b. 8 Dec. 1808.

CHILDREN.

954. JOHN FULLER[8] CARPENTER Jr. b. 29 Jany. 1836, at Lawrenceville, N. Y.
955. LUCY ADELIA[8] CARPENTER, b. 11 Dec. 1838. d. ..... Feby. 1875, of consumption.
956. GEORGE MONROE[8] CARPENTER, b. 10 Oct. 1842. m. 4 Nov. 1868, *Harriet Lee*, of Bangor, N. Y.
957. CAROLINE AUGUSTA[8] CARPENTER, b. 22 June 1845. m. 5 May 1870, at Whitehall, N. Y., *Dr. Warren Corbin Wood.*

Mary Jane Carpenter d. Aug. 1846, and Dr. Carpenter m. as his second wife, 23 May 1847, EMILY[7] BLISH, a sister of his first wife. She was b. 30 Apr. 1823.

CHILDREN.

958. HARRIET JANE[8] CARPENTER, b. 2 Dec. 1846. d. 3 Aug. 1850.
959. RHODA JANE[8] CARPENTER, b. 3 May 1851. m. 5 Sept. 1877, *Robert McEwen*, d. 5 Mar. 1890, of pneumonia, at Lawrenceville, N. Y.
960. +FRANK BLISH[8] CARPENTER, b. 15 Sept. 1853. Is a practicing physician in New York City.
961. CHARLES DAVID[8] CARPENTER, b. 7 Sept. 1856. m. 15 Nov. 1881, at Big Rapids, Mich., *Nettie Wiltse.*
962. NATHAN ADELBERT[8] CARPENTER, b. 26 Sept. 1860. m. 15 Nov. 1881, at Sherbrooke, N. Dakota, *Abi Bugbee.*

Dr. John Fuller Carpenter spent his youth in Whitehall, N. Y., where he studied medicine with Dr. Rutter. He attended lectures and graduated from the medical college at Castleton, Vermont. He went to Lawrenceville, N. Y., in 1830, to begin the

practice of his profession, poor in purse, but rich in determination. The country was new and without roads or other improvements. He was compelled to ride on horseback to make his visits, and to find his own way through the forests by marked trees. Though a frail man physically, his indominable will carried him through, and he in time accumulated a considerable fortune. He continued his practice until a short time before his death, but was also interested in other lines of business. He d. 30 Apr. 1869, of consumption. His wife Emily[7] d. at Lewrenceville, N. Y., 2 Dec. 1898, of pneumonia. The compiler has in his possession a letter written by her in June, 1898, which shows her to have been a remarkably intelligent and capable woman. The hand writing is like that of a woman of forty, instead of seventy-five years old. The letter will be preserved among his "Blish Archives."

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639. ELLEN DOUGLAS[7] (BLISH) BURNHAM.)

(John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELLEN DOUGLAS,[7] dtr. of John[6] (349) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 10 Mar. 1817, at Woodstock, Vermont. She m. 10 May 1840, Dr. Milo L. Burnham. He was b....., 1812, at Pomfret, Vermont.

CHILDREN.

963. EDGAR WALES[8] BURNHAM, b. .....,
964. JUSTICE A.[8] BURNHAM, b. ..... 1847. d. 9 July 1878, in Chicago, Ill.

Milo L. Burnham spent his boyhood on a farm. Later he spent some time in teaching. He graduated at the Medical College at Woodstock, Vt. He practiced medicine for some years at Montpelier, Vermont, and then removed to Lawrenceville, N. Y. Here he became a member of the Congregational church. Removing to Broadhead, Wis., some years later, he and his wife assisted in organizing a Congregational church at that place. Removing to Waterloo, Iowa, he was for seventeen years a Deacon of the Congl. church there. He was a radical temperance man, and though he conducted a drug store, he refused to sell liquor for any purpose. The last four years of his life were spent in Chicago, Ills. Here he was a member of the Plymouth church. He d. 14 Feby. 1893, and was buried at Waterloo, Iowa.

JOHN HEDDING BLISH

LIEUT. JOHN BELL BLISH.

JOHN LYMAN BLISH.

Ellen Douglas Burnham d. 29 Dec. 1898, at Chicago, Ills. At her request, her remains were cremated, the ashes to be buried at Waterloo, Iowa.

She was a woman of decided character, affable, energetic and independent. She did her own thinking and was always busy.

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640. LUCY HEDDING[7] (BLISH) ALDEN.

(John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LUCY HEDDING,[7] dtr. of John[6] (349) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 5 May 1819, at Woodstock, Vermont. She m. 29 Jany. 1844, Chester Alvin Alden.

CHILDREN.

965. JOHN GARDNER[8] ALDEN, b. 5 May 1848, at Woodstock, Vt. d. 8 Nov. 1854.
966. BELLE FRANCIS[8] ALDEN, b. 8 Jany. 1853, at Woodstock, Vt. d. 9 June 1862, at Janesville, Wis.
967. JOHN BLISH[8] ALDEN, b. 16 Nov. 1856, at Janesville, Wis.

Chester Alvin Alden d. 25 Dec. 1870, at Janesville, Wis., and his wife, Lucy, d. 12 Dec. 1897, at the same place.

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641. JOHN HEDDING[7] BLISH.

(John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN HEDDING,[7] s. of John[6] (349) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 25 Apr. 1821, at Woodstock, Vermont. He m. 28 Sept. 1854, at Seymour, Indiana, Sarah, dtr. of Meedy White and Eliza P. (Ewing) Shields.

CHILDREN.

968.+MEEDY SHIELDS,[8] b. 14 Dec. 1855, at Seymour, Ind.
969.+EMMA MERAB,[8] b. 1 June 1860.
970. JOHN BELL,[8] b. 8 Sept. 1860. He entered the U. S. Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Maryland, 18 Sept. 1875, and has ever since been in the naval service. Has served in many capacities, making coast surveys and scientific experiments connected with the betterment of the service. Was executive officer on the U. S. war ships "Niagara" and "Vicksburg" during the

Spanish-American war, in 1898. Was commissioned Lieutenant Commander 5 Oct. 1901.

Yours very Sincerely

J. B. Blish

971.+LUCY SHIELDS,[8] b. 9 Oct. 1862.

972. TIPTON SHIELDS,[8] b. 13 Jany. 1865. Is connected with his brother Meedy in the successful milling business, which was inaugurated by their father, at Seymour, Ind.

Tipton S. Blish

John Hedding[7] Blish attended school at Middlebury, Vermont; in 1849 he started for California, but meeting his friend Frank Marsh, who afterwards married his sister Mary (644), at Jeffersonville, Indiana, he was prevailed upon to take a position on the engineering corps of the first railroad in Indiana, the "Old Madison" road. He was soon promoted to the position of chief engineer, and held it till the road was completed to Indianapolis and then to Louisville, Ky. It was about this time that he married, and became associated with his father-in-law, in grain, packing and milling business, until 1871, when he accepted a pocition as chief engineer of a railroad, which was to run from Evansville to Richmond, Ind. This project was abandoned during the financial troubles of 1872-3, and he returned to the grain and milling business, at which he remained until his death. In 1883, his sons Meedy S. and Tipton S., joined their father in the business. The plant was burned in the winter of 1885, and in January, 1886, the Blish Milling Company was organized, the stock being divided among the father, mother and five children, the father and sons having a controlling interest. A new and greatly enlarged and improved plant was erected and completed in July, 1886, increasing the capacity of the mills four fold. John Hedding Blish was for fifteen years Vice President of the First National Bank of Seymour and active in its management. During the last few years of his chief aim was to put his family on a sound financial basis, and in this he was eminently successful. He died 30 July, 1886, shortly after the new mills were completed.

His wife, Sarah Shields Blish, d. 16 Mar. 1896, at Pratt's

Sanitarium, in Chicago, where she and her sister, Mrs. Eliza Shields Dickinson, had gone for a surgical operation. Mrs. Blish was first operated upon, and came out apparently in good condition. Mrs. Dickinson went to the operating room and died there. Mrs. Blish a few hours afterward became worse, and died without knowing of her sister's death.

The veneration of the children for this father and mother speaks more strongly for them than any words others might utter.

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643. ELIJAH HEDDING[7] BLISH.

(John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELIJAH HEDDING,[7] s. of John[6] (349) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 8 Mar. 1825, at Woodstock, Vermont. He. m. 9 Sept. 1848, Mary A. Smith.

CHILD.

973. ALBERT ELIJAH, b. 20 Dec. 1863, at Franklin, N. Y.

Elijah Blish has been a farmer all of his lifetime.

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644. MARY DUNHAM[7] (BLISH) MARSH.

(John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY DUNHAM,[7] dtr. of John[6] (349) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 20 Feby. 1827, at Woodstock, Vermont. She m. 21 Aug. 1845, Prof. Benjamin Franklin, s. of Otis and Julia (Ransom) Marsh. He was b. 10 Mar. 1816, at Taftsville, Vermont.

CHILDREN.

974. GEORGE FRANKLIN[8] MARSH, b. 21 Aug. 1846, at Canaan. d. 21 Sept. 1846.

975. GEORGE FRANKLIN[8] MARSH, b. 21 Oct. 1847. He m. 7 Apr. 1875, *Lizzie Shipman*, b. Ohio, 1855. Issue—George Franklin[9] Jr. b. 18 Dec. 1875, at Helena, Montana. George Franklin Marsh, Sr., was U. S. Surveyor, at Helena.

976. JOHN MASON[8] MARSH, b. 15 Oct. 1849, at Vienna ,Ind. He m. 3 Oct. 1874, *Laura Herrick*, b. in Missouri, 1858. Was clerk in the U. S. Surveyor's office at Helena, Mont. Issue—1. Maud,[9] b. 17 July, 1877. 2. Linn M.[9] b. 10 Aug. 1879.

977. JULIA EMMA[8] MARSH, b. 3 Nov. 1853, at Jeffersonville, Ind.
978. FLORA ATWOOD[8] MARSH, b. 11 Apr. 1856, at Anderson, Ind. She m. 21 Feby. 1875, *Joseph Davis*, b. 24 Nov. at Coatesville, Penn. He served three months in the Civil war, and in 1868 removed to Montana and engaged in mining. He has served his district in the legislature, and is a pronounced character, and known by the familiar name of "Rocky Mountain Joe." Issue. 1. Louis Joseph,[9] b. 9 Jany. 1876; 2. May Belle,[9] b. 3 July, 1878.

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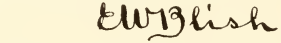
645. EDWIN WALES[7] BLISH.

(John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EDWIN WALES,[7] s. of John[6] (349) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 25 Dec. 1829, at Woodstock, Vermont. He m. 8 June 1855, Elizabeth, dtr. of John J. Kester.

CHILDREN.

I. GEORGE EDWIN,[8] b. 15 June 1854. d. 7 Oct. 1860.
II. NANCY MARIAH,[8] b. 14 Sept. 1856. d. 12 June 1858.
III. JOHN KESTER,[8] b. 20 Sept. 1859. d. 10 Dec. 1885.
IV. HIRAM ELSWORTH,[8] b. 12 May 1862. d. 4 Aug. 1887.



Edwin Wales[7] Blish has followed civil engineering most of his lifetime. He is still living, a hale and hearty old man. For some years he has been a Justice of the Peace. He is a prominent Mason, and also a very active and influential member of the Methodist church.

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651. TIMOTHY AUSTIN[7] BLISH.

(Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

TIMOTHY AUSTIN,[7] s. of Aaron Hubard[6] (371) and Joanna (Hale) Blish, was b. 18 Aug. 1810, at Eastbury, Conn. He m. 29 Dec. 1831, Eleanor Maria, dtr. of Chester and Eliza (Lovett) Hills. She was b. 10 June 1814, at Eastbury.

CHILD.

979.+TIMOTHY HUBBARD,[8] b. 18 June 1833, at South Manchester, Conn. Baptized 15 Sept. 1833.

Timothy Austin[7] Blish, after his marriage, moved to South Manchester and worked at blacksmithing for a year, then returned to Eastbury and worked one season on the farm, and in the fall went to Hartford and worked in a carriage factory, doing wood work, iron work and leather work, as needed. His brother Hiram was working in the same shop as carriage trimmer. He next went to Colchester, Conn. and worked at harness-making. He also worked for Halsey Cheney, who ran a carriage factory and livery, at Middletown, Conn. Was in Hartford seven years and in Midletown five years. He then returned to Eastbury and resumed farming, which he followed ever after. The Eastbury church record says that "Timothy Blish and his wife Eleanor were dismissed and recommended to the Second church of Hartford, 29 Apr. 1836." Eleanor M. Blish, d. 18 Aug. 1882, and Timothy A. Blish d. 21 June 1893. Both are buried in the Eastbury cemetery.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn., Tn. Rec. and Eastbury Ch. Rec.*

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652. DAVID DWIGHT[7] BLISH.

(Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID DWIGHT,[7] s. of Aaron Hubbard[6] (371) and Joanna (Hale) Blish, was b. 27 Oct. 1812, at Eastbury, Conn. He m. 11 Feby. 1834, Fanny Cornelia, dtr. of John and Fanny (Keeney) Goslee. She was b. 27 June 1817, at Eastbury.

CHILDREN.

980.+PRUDENCE CORNELIA,[8] b. 23 Apr. 1839.

981.+JOHN DWIGHT,[8] b. 16 Apr. 1843.

982. REBECCA ELIZA,[8] b. ..... 1848. m. 2 Jany. 1867, *Arthur M. Brainard.* They had one child, Bessie, who is a school teacher in Glastonbury. Rebecca Brainard d. 31 May 1880.

983.+JOANNA AUGUSTA,[8] b. 20 Oct. 1850.

"1854, Sept. 26. Prudence Cornelia, John Dwight and Rebecca Eliza, children of David D. and Fanny C. Blish, were baptized."

David Dwight[7] Blish, who was always known by his middle name, was a farmer all of his life. He ran a dairy and truck farm, making regular trips to the City of Hartford with his produce. In the summer of 1892, his large barn was burned in the night, consuming his horses, cows, hay and grain, upon which he had no insurance. This barn was one of the oldest in the neighborhood, built of massive oak timbers, and was believed to be one hundred years old. The loss was a terrible calamity, and although one of the most hopeful and courageous of men, it seemed to break him down. He d. 29 Apr. 1893, aged 80 years, 6 mos. and 1 day. His wife Fanny Cornelia, survived him for several years, and d. 13 Aug. 1899, at the house of her daughter Joanna.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec. and Eastbury Ch. Rec.*

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653. AARON HUBBARD[7] BLISH, JR.

(Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AARON HUBBARD,[7] s. of Aaron Hubbard[6] (371) and Joanna (Hale) Blish, was b. 5 Sept, 1815. He m. 26 May 1841, at Manchester, Conn., Clara Bingham. She was b. in 1810.

CHILDREN.

984.+RUSH HUBBARD,[8] b. 19 Oct. 1842, at Guilford, Conn.

985. ROSALIA C.[8] b. 16 July 1851, at South Windsor, Conn. She was a charming girl, with marked musical talent. She m. 12 Sept. 1870, at South Manchester, Conn., *Henry C. Brooks*, of Hartford, and d. of pulmonary consumption, in 1878.

Aaron hubbard[7] Blish Jr. was a very active man. He kept a hotel for some years in Guilford, Conn., and also at Middletown. He was a merchant, livery keeper and cigar manufacturer at Glastonbury, and later settled at Windsor keeping a dry goods and grocery store. He was quite a politician and for a time deputy sheriff. His death was quite sudden, caused, the doctors said, by lung fever, but the post mortem examination revealed the fact that one lung was almost gone. He was quite outspoken in his opinions, and Chauncey Goodale made a complaint against him, 3 Sept. 1838, to appear before the church. He attended on

Sept. 14th, and requested a postponement, which was granted. Sept. 21st, they again convened, and he declared his dissent from the articles of faith respecting the attributes and character of God.

After taking his case into consideration, the church voted "to withdraw their care and watch over him."

He d. 4 Dec. 1852, at Windsor. His wife, Clara, who was five years his senior, lived his widow for 35 years, and d. 6 Oct. 1887, at South Manchester, Conn., and is buried in Windsor, beside her husband.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec. and Eastbury Ch. Rec.*

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654. HIRAM HALE[7] BLISH.

(Aaron Hubbard[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HIRAM HALE,[7] s. of Aaron Hubbard[6] (371) and Joanna (Hale) Blish, was b. 8 Apr. 1818, at Eastburry, Conn. He m. 30 Apr. 1839, at Litchfield, Conn., Mary A., dtr. of Elias and Vienna (Tyler) Peck. She was b. 13 Oct. 1823, at Venice, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

986. CHARLES HENRY,[8] b. 8 Feby. 1840, at Litchfield, Conn. d. 13 Dec. 1845, at So. Manchester, Conn.

987.+HIRAM HUBBARD,[8] b. 7 Jany. 1842, at South Manchester, Conn.

988. FRANCES EMMA,[8] b. 26 Mar. 1850, at Colchester, Conn. d. 10 Jany. 1851, at Colchester, Conn.

Hiram Hale[7] Blish, after leaving school, went to Hartford and learned the harness making and carriage trimming trades, and worked at it for many years. His health becoming impaired, he went west, to Racine, Wis., and ran a hotel for a time, but getting no better, he went to California, and remained a year, without receiving any material benefit. He then returned to Connecticut, and lived about three years afterward. He d. 4 Dec. 1858, at Naugatuck, Conn., of consumption. He was a very genial man, with considerable musical talent, and used to play in bands and orchestras. He was running a harness shop and feed store at Naugatuck, at the time of his death.

655. SARAH JANETT[7] (BLISH) HODGE.

(Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

SARAH JANETT,[7] dtr. of Aaron Hubbard[6] (371) and Joanna (Hale) Blish, was b. 9 Dec. 1820, at East Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 26 May 1841, Elijah, s. of Elizur and Edith (Hale) Hodge. He was b. 31 Dec. 1816. The Eastbury church record has the following entry: "1841, May 23. Married by Rev. Aaron Snow, Elijah Hodge and Sarah J. Blish," a slight variance from the family record.

CHILDREN.

989.+TIMOTHY HALE[8] HODGE, b. 12 July 1842.
990.+MARTHA ANN[8] HODGE, b. 9 July 1844.
991. ELLEN ELIZABETH[8] HODGE, b. 4 May 1849.
992. CHARLES HAWLEY[8] HODGE, b. 29 Aug. 1851.
993. ADELINE ELBERTINE[8] HODGE, b. 1 Sept. 1853.
994. SARAH ISABELL[8] HODGE, b. 24 Aug. 1855.
995. EMMA ADELA[8] HODGE, b. 29 July 1858.
996. JENNIE ELSIE[8] HODGE, b. 3 May 1864.

Elijah Hodge was a farmer all of his life. He d. 14 Jany. 1865, of lock jaw, caused by cutting his foot with an axe. He lived seven days after the accident. His wife Sarah Janett, d. 23 Mar. 1880, and both are buried in the Eastbury cemetery.

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656. ADALINE THERESA[7] (BLISH) HOUSE.

(Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ADALINE THERESA,[7] dtr. of Aaron Hubbard[6] (371) and Joanna (Hale) Blish, was b. 29 Aug. 1826, at East Glastonbury,, Conn. She m. 18 Oct. 1846, at South Glastonbury, Asaph Colman, s. of Hezekiah and Pamelia (Colman) Hale. He was b. 18 Mar. 1815, at Glastonbury, Conn.

CHILDREN.

997. FREDERIC WALTER[8] HALE, b. 13 Nov. 1847, at Glastonbury, Conn. He was brought up by an aunt in Lafayette, Indiana. After leaving school he went into a wholesale hardware store, for which he worked and traveled for eight years. Then went into business for himself in Detroit, Mich. Here he mar-

ried a daughter of Dr. C. Phelps, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who was engaged in the manufacture of Brown's Herbal Remedies, in Jersey City and had an office in London, England. He induced his son-in-law, Frederic Walter Hale, to take charge of the London branch. Six months afterwards Dr. Phelps died, leaving the entire charge of the business upon Mr. Hale. The task proved too much for him, as his health was impared by an unfavorable climate, and he ran down so rapidly that he never got home. He d. in London, 16 June 1891, of quick consumption. He left no children.

998. AARON HEZEKIAH[8] HALE, b. 30 Sept. 1849, at South Manchester, Conn. After leaving school, he worked with a roofing company about three years, and then for the New England Railroad, as foreman of a construction gang, for several years. The last four or five years of his life he worked for the J. B. Williams Soap Company, in Glastonbury, Conn. He d. 3 Mar. 1889, of congestion of the brain. He was never married.

Asaph C. Hale was a merchant tailor, in Glastonbury, but went to California during the first gold excitement. He sailed Oct. 20th, 1852, going by the way of the Isthmus of Panama, which was then crossed by mules. He was prospering in California, when he was taken with typhoid fever and d. 31 May 1853. His brother-in-law, Hiram Hale Blish (654) was with him at the time of his death.

Adaline Theresa, widow of Asaph C. Hale, m. (2) 14 June, 1854, Arnold, s. of Stephen Keeney.

CHILD.

999. IDA AUGUSTA[8] KEENEY, b. 13 May 1855, at East Haddam, Conn. She d. Feby. 1869 at Bolton, Conn. of brain fever.

Arnold Keeney worked in a woolen factory in his younger days. At the time of his marriage with the widow Hale, he kept a summer hotel in East Haddam. In 1858 the removed to Bolton, Conn., and kept a hotel and grocery store. He d. 1 May 1872, at Bolton, and is buried in Spring Grove cemetery, Hartford. His widow m. 8 July 1878, Monroe C. House, and lives in South Manchester. Mr. House was employed in the Cheney Brothers' silk mills. He d. 6 Nov. 1895.

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658. HON. WAIT[7] TALCOTT.

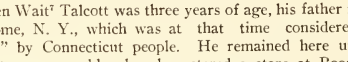
(Dorothy,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WAIT,[7] s. of Deacon William and Dorothy[6] (372) (Blish) Talcott, was b. 17 Oct. 1807, at Hebron, Conn. He m.

5 Feby. 1834, Elizabeth Anna, dtr. of Dr. Ariel Norton. She was b. 16 Nov. 1813.

CHILDREN.

A daughter, b. Oct. 1834, and d. same day. Not named.
A son, b. 14 Mar. 1836, and d. at birth. Not named.
1001.+ADALINE ELIZABETH[8] TALCOTT, b. 12 Oct. 1837, at Horseheads, N. Y.
1002.+WILLIAM ARIEL[8] TALCOTT, b. 28 Sept. 1839, at Rockton, Ills.
1003. HARRIET NORTON[8] TALCOTT, b. 19 Mar. 1843. d. 26 Nov. 1851.
1004.+MARY CARTER[8] TALCOTT, b. 4 Sept. 1845.
1005. SHELDON NORTON[8] TALCOTT, b. 4 Nov. 1849. d. 10 Mar. 1851.
1006. SAMUEL NORTON[8] TALCOTT, b. 31 Oct. 1852.
1007. FRANCES ELIZA[8] TALCOTT, b. 19 July 1855.



When Wait[7] Talcott was three years of age, his father removed to Rome, N. Y., which was at that time considered "the far west," by Connecticut people. He remained here until he was nineteen years old, when he entered a store at Booneville, N. Y. After serving a sort of apprenticeship here, he engaged in business on his account at Utica, until 1830. He then went to the Village of Horseheads, Chemung county, where he was married. In the fall of 1838 he left New York for Illinois, reaching Rockton, on Oct. 12th after a six weeks' trip, made in a wagon, with his wife and child. His father, Capt. William Talcott, had preceded him in 1837. He almost immediately united with the Congregational church, and became actively interested in all vital interests of the new community. He was one of the incorporators of Beloit College, and was a member of the first Board of Trustees, and for many years thereafter. He was also one of the organizers of Rockford Female Seminary, which has had a successful career. In common with his father and brothers, he was a pronounced anti-slavery man, and as early as January, 1844, introduced into the church of which he was a member a series of strong anti-slavery resolutions, which after some discussion, were adopted. In the presidential election of that year, he was one of seven in Winnebago county, who voted for James G. Birney, the Liberty party candidate. He lived to see the principles he then advocated become the settled policy of the nation. In the fall of 1854 he was elected State Senator, representing the counties of Winnebago, Carroll, Boone

and Ogle. He served four years with credit to himself and satisfaction to his constituents.

In the spring of 1854, he, with his brother Sylvester, formed a partnership with John H. Manny, the inventor, and began the manufacture of the John H. Manny Combined Reaper and Mower, at Rockford, Ill. The company made 1100 machines that year, and the fall Ralph Emerson and Jesse Blinn were added to the partnership. With increased capital the output was largely increased in 1855, and continued to grow from year to year. Later the business was incorporated as Emerson, Talcott & Company, Wait Talcott having shifted the burden of active management of the business, upon the shoulders of his son-in-law, Ralph Emerson and son William Ariel Talcott. Credit must be given the promoters and managers of this company for starting Rockford upon a career of manufacturing, which has since made the city noted.

The firm were sued by Cyrus H. McCormick, for an alleged infringement of his patents, in the construction of their reapers. The case was bitterly contested, and while it cost the defendants over $75,000 to defend their rights, they were successful. Among the lawyers who were engaged by them were Abraham Lincoln, Edwin M. Stanton and Peter H. Watson, who first became acquainted at that time, and who afterward as President, Secretary of War and Assistant Secy. of War, played so important a part in the defense of the Nation during the civil war. The firm paid Lincoln $1,000 as a retainer, which he afterward said enabled him to stump the State against Stephen A. Douglas, and introduced him to the country at large.

The personal friendship formed between Mr. Lincoln and Wait Talcott during this suit, was maintained ever after, and after the passage of the Internal Revenue Act, President Lincoln appointed him Collector for the Second District of Illinois, and the following letter is treasured by the family:—

"Executive Mansion,
Washington, Aug. 27, 1862.

"Hon. Wait Talcott:

Dear Sir---I have determined to appoint you Collector. I now have a very special request to make of you, which is that you will make no war upon Mr. Washburne, who is also my friend, of longer standing than yourself. I shall even be obliged if you can do something for him if occasion presents.

Yours truly,

A. Lincoln."

The office thus conferred was held for five years. The letter shows the character of Lincoln, who made this appointment in opposiaion to the clamor of some congressmen and politicians for the appointment of favorites.

Mr. Talcott was in Washington just after the assassination of President Lincoln, and having been selected by citizens of Illinois, then in Washington, attended the funeral services as one of the mourners representing the State.

At the breaking out of the rebellion, Mr. Talcott, though beyond the age of military service, paid a large bounty to Charles H. Reddington, a veteran, who represented him.

On the 7th of August, 1873, Mr. Talcott was called upon to part with his wife, Elizabeth Anna, whose death was mourned by a wide circle of friends. She was widely known for her kindness to the sick and the needy, whom she aided not only pecuniarily, but with her cheerful presence and sympathy. She was a lineal descendent of Archbishop Cranmer, who in 1556, perished in the flames during the religious persecutions of Bloody Mary.

Wait Talcott was active and interested in everything pertaining to the welfare of his City, State and Nation. He was President of the Early Settlers Asssociation of Winnebago County, and during his whole life never relaxed his efforts as a good citizen, in every walk in life. Personally he was a man whom it was a pleasure to meet. Wealth and prosperity never in any way dimmed the rugged plainness of his daily life. While always courteous and considerate, there was not in him the slightest element of a trimmer; to the contrary he was outspoken and fearless in all that he deemed to be right. Reminders of his good efforts are abundant in Rockford, where he has left enduring monuments to his zeal and integrity.

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666. PRUDENCE HUBBARD[7] (TALCOTT) HERSEY.

PRUDENCE HUBBARD,[7] dtr. of Capt William and Dorothy[6] (372) (Blish) Talcott, was b. 4 Mar. 1822, at Rome, N. Y. She m. 17 May 1854, at Rockton, Ills. Samuel Hersey. He was b. 27 July, 1814, in Sumner, Oxford Co. Maine.

WILLIAM HENRY BLISH, SR.

CHILDREN.

1011.+THOMAS ARTHUR[8] HERSEY, b. 17 Apr. 1855.
1012. IDA MARIA[8] HERSEY, b. 7 July 1857. d. 7 July 1882.
1013. MARY EMMA[8] HERSEY, b. 22 Aug. 1860. d. 2 Sept. 1886.
1014.+HARRIET ADALINE[8] HERSEY, b. 20 June 1864.

Samuel Hersey came to Wineebago County, Ill. in May 1838. He was a farmer all of his life. His first wife was Hannah Cole, who was born in Oxford Co. Maine. They Were married at Beloit, Wis. 2 Sept. 1842, and had three Children, viz:

I. Horatio B. Hersey, b. 14 Dec. 1843, in Rockton. He enlisted 4 Jany. 1864, in Co. I, 9th Ill. Cav., and was killed in the battle of Campbellville, Tenn., 24 Nov. 1864.
II. Henry Osgood Hersey, b. 25 Oct. 1847. He m. Libbie Morey, of Rockford, Ill., and has one son, Horatio B. Hersey.
III. A son, who d. in infancy.

Hannah, the first wife of Samuel Hersey, d. 29 Apr. 1853. Samuel Hersey d. 26 Sept. 1879, at Rockton, Ill. His widow is still living, and resides with her daughter Harriet.

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667. WILLIAM HENRY[7] BLISH.

(Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM HENRY,[7] s. of Sylvester[6] (373) and Rhoda (Cheney) Blish, was b. 25 May 1812, at East Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 25 Jany. 1836, at Glastonbury, Eliza, adopted daughter of Dea. Nehimiah Hollister. She was b. 27 Nov. 1811, at Manchester, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1015.+CHARLES SYLVESTER,[8] b. 5 Dec. 1836, at Glastonbury, Conn.
1016.+HELEN LOUISE,[8] b. 5 Nov. 1838, at Wethersfield, Ill.
1017.+JOHN GIDDINGS,[8] b. 23 June, 1840.
1018. ADELAIDE ELIZA,[8] b. 22 Dec. 1842. d. 14 Oct. 1854. Hers was the first body interred in the Kewanee cemetery.
1019. FRANK CHENEY,[8] b. 15 Apr. 1845. d. 17 Apr. 1845.
1020. PRUDENCE KNOX,[8] b. 10 Mar. 1847. d. 11 Oct. 1860, of erysipelas.
1021. RHODA CHENEY,[8] b. 10 June 1850. She remained with her

father durign his lifetime, and is now living in her own home in Wethersfield. Has remained single.

1022. ADDIE ELIZA,[8] b. 14 June, 1855. She is a deaf mute. Was educated in the Deaf and Dumb Institute, at Jacksonville, Ill., and has since earned her own living. She is now in Chicago.

Eliza Hollister (Blish) d. 19 Nov. 1858; and William Henry Blish m. 17 Apr. 1860, Hannah Gage, dtr. of Elijah Gage, of Fairfield, N. Y. She was b. 27 Sept. 1833, at Fairfield.

CHILDREN.

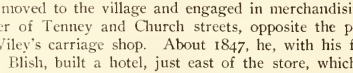
1023. MARGARET GAGE,[8] b. 1 Apr. 1861. She graduated from the Kewanee High School and for several years taught in the public schools of Kewanee. For over ten years she has been teaching in the Chicago public schools.

1024. +WILLIAM HENRY[8] Jr., b. 14 Jany. 1863.

1025. HANNAH ELIZABETH,[8] b. 15 Nov. 1872. She graduated from the Kewanee High School and taught for some years in the Kewanee and Chicago public schools. She m. 3 July 1902, *Herbert Diller* of Chicago.

1026. BELLE GAGE,[8] b. 10 Feby. 1877. Like her two sisters she taught in the public schools of Kewanee for years. She m. 17 June 1903, *Thomas M. O'Connor.* Issue Ruth Constance, b. 13 May, 1904.

Hannah Gage Blish, 2nd wife of William H. Blish, d. 19 July, 1881, at Wethersfield, Ills. She was a teacher in the schools of Wethersfield, before her marriage. She was a very amiable and intelligent woman and a devoted wife and mother. Her death was caused by dropsy.



William H. Blish learned the carpenter's trade in Connecticut and followed it some after coming to Wethersfield, Illinois, in 1837. For several years he lived on a farm west of the village. He then moved to the village and engaged in merchandising, at the corner of Tenney and Church streets, opposite the present site of Wiley's carriage shop. About 1847, he, with his father, Sylvester Blish, built a hotel, just east of the store, which they ran for over ten years, it being the only hotel in this section, until after the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad came through Kewanee. It was the stopping place for the stage lines and the engineers of the railroad made it their headquarters for some time. About 1855, in company with Zerah Chapin, he built a grist mill and did a large and successful business until the failure of the wheat crop in 1860 and 1861. The farmers in this section

of the country gave up raising wheat and it was unprofitable to ship wheat from other sections of the country. He then, in company with Nathaniel Mayhew, moved the mill to Neponset, Ills., locating it upon the railroad tracks. The business at this point proved unprofitable and they sold it out at a great sacrifice.

He was repeatedly honored with public offices by his fellow citizens. During the last forty years of his life he always held some official position in his town. He was County Treasurer, Justice of the Peace, until he refused to be elected, Supervisor for several terms, Town Collector, year after year, School Treasurer for twenty-five years, and Town Clerk nearly as long. His office in the corner of his old hotel which he occupied as long as he lived, was the headquarters for all Town business, and the people seemed to think they could not do business elsewhere. Here he was always to be found, genial, affable, sensible and level-headed; ready to make a deed or mortgage, draw a will, or have a friendly smoke and talk on any subject. Very few suits begun in his court ever came to a trial; he usually made the litigants see their rights or mistakes and come to an amicable settlement. He was a life-long member of the Congregational church, and for a number of years was chorister. As a neighbor he was kind and generous, ever ready to lend a helping hand, or to give words of cheer and sympathy. He died at his old home where he had lived for 58 years, 15 July, 1895, in the 84th year of his age, leaving a spotless record.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec. Wethersfield, Ill. Tn. Rec. Hollister Gen. and Henry County, Ill. Rec.*

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668. THOMAS[7] BLISH.

(Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

THOMAS,[7] s. of Sylvester,[6] (373) and Rhoda (Cheney) Blish, was b. 8 Sept. 1815, at East Glastonbury, Conn. He m. ..... Feby. 1837, Wealthy Ann, dtr. of Halsey and Sarah (Wood) Buck. She was b. 24 Aug. 1817, at Glastonbury, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1027.+HENRY SYLVESTER,[8] b. 18 July 1838, at Rock Island, Ill.

1028. THOMAS HUBBARD,[8] b. 27 Apr. 1840. He was an unusually bright and promising young man and a great favorite with

every one. After leaving school he was employed in a wholesale grocery in Galena, Ill., and afterwards worked with his father in his chair factory. He d. 19 May, 1863, of consumption.

1029. GEORGE,[8] b. 14 Sept. 1842. d. young.

1030. SARAH,[8] b. 27 May 1844. d. 19 July 1845.

1031. ELLA,[8] b. 26 July 1848. d. 11 July 1864.

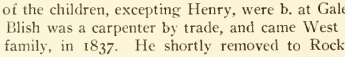
1032. MARY,[8] b. ..... d. .....

1033. MARY LOUISE,[8] b. ..... Aug. 1853. Is living at the old home in Galena with her brother George.

1034. GEORGE CHENEY,[8] b. 16 Feby. 1855. After graduating from the High School he taught for some time. Later he took a course at Rush Medical College, Chicago, from which he graduated with high honors. He is located at Galena and lives in the old homestead. Is a bachelor.

1035. HATTIE,[8] b. ..... May 1857. d. 4 July 1862.

1036. BENONI,[8] b. ..... Oct. 1862. d. ..... June 1863.



All of the children, excepting Henry, were b. at Galena, Ills. Thomas Blish was a carpenter by trade, and came West with his father's family, in 1837. He shortly removed to Rock Island, Ills., where he remained about two years. He then went to Galena, Ills., at that time one of the most prosperous cities in the State, and remained there until his death. He was a contractor and builder and also part owner in a chair factory. He was a prominent member of the Congregational church of Galena, and for many years was chorister, being a fine singer and very fond of music. He d. 18 Dec. 1864, at Wethersfield, Ills., while on a visit to his mother and brothers, from a sudden attack of pneumonia, and his remains were taken to Galena. His wife, Wealthy Ann, survived him for many years. She was a most devoted wife and mother. She d. 15 Jany. 1890, at Galena.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec. and Hollister Gen.*

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669. CHARLES CHENEY[7] BLISH.

(Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES CHENEY,[7] s. of Sylvester,[6] (373) and Rhoda (Cheney) Blish, was b. 26 May, 1820, at East Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 23 Dec. 1840, at Goshen, Stark Co., Ill., Elizabeth Potter,

CHARLES CHENEY
BLISH.

ELIZABETH POTTER
(BONAR) BLISH.

dtr. of Matthew and Catharine (Cosner) Bonar. She was b. 14 Dec. 1820, at Bethlehem, Knox county, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

1037.+JAMES KNOX,[7] b. 2 May, 1843, at Wethersfield, Ill.
1038. WILLIAM HENRY,[7] b. 15 Aug. 1844. He was accidentally scalded while his mother was mopping the floor and died from the effect 15 Jany. 1846, at Knoxville, Ill.
1039. SYLVESTER,[7] b. 13 Oct. 1846. d. 21 Sept. 1847, at Knoxville, Illinois.
1040.+MATTHEW BONAR,[7] b. 5 Dec. 1848, at Wethersfield, Ill.
1041. CARRIE ELIZABETH,[7] b. 8 Oct. 1854. d. 14 Mar. 1856.
1042. KITTIE LOUISE,[7] b. 14 Aug. 1857. d. 24 Jany. 1856.

Chas. C. Blish

Charles Cheney Blish went to school in Glastonbury and then finished a course at Middletown, Conn., paying especial attention to surveying. He came to Illinois with his father when seventeen years old. He was married at the age of twenty. His wife's parents lived on Walnut creek, south of Lafayette, and the marriage was somewhat opposed on both sides by his parents, on account of his age, and by her's because he was a "Yankee", they being Pennsylvanians. The youngsters went to a Justice and were married, and all parties acquiesced in the inevitable. In the winter of 1841-2 he taught the school in Wethersfield, with marked success, and the next spring was appointed Deputy County Surveyor. In 1843 he was elected County Surveyor, and held the office for eight years, during which time the settlement of the country demanded his constant services, in locating lands. On account of his knowledge of the lands in his county, his services were frequently called for in after years to settle disputed corners. At the termination of his term as County Surveyor, he took up farming, which he followed the remainder of his life. He made cattle his specialty, and about 1865 started a herd of short-horns, and in a few years had one of the finest herds in the State. He took many prizes in the Illinois and Iowa State fairs, and at the Fat Stock Shows in Chicago, and was a member of the National Short-Horn Breeders' Association. He was one of the organizers of the Henry County Fair, for some years was Secretary and then President. Upon the adoption of Township organization he was for several years Town Clerk and was School Director for a quarter of a century. He was connected with the First National Bank of Kewanee, and for eighteen years was its

President, retiring only a short time before his death. The local paper said of him: "Mr. Blish has always been one of the foremost men of Kewanee in any and all public enterprises for the advancement of the town. In matters of importance and in a social way, Mr. Blish stood very high, and his influence was as strong as any citizen in this community. As a business man he was successful and as a citizen he was the friend of all, and we know of no one who will be missed more from the every-day life of our town than Charles C. Blish."

His death, which occurred on the 15th of Dec. 1890, was entirely unexpected. He was about town all day, pursuing his usual avocations. Almost the last act, was to take to the post office a batch of invitations to attend the celebration of his "Golden Wedding", which was to have been the 23rd of the same month. After retiring he was attacked with an excrutiating pain in the region of the heart, and died before any aid could be summoned. His funeral services were conducted by the Masonic Lodge of Kewanee, of which he was a charter member, and the pastor of the Congregational church, of which he was also a member.

Elizabeth P. Blish came west with her father's family, in 1838, and they settled on Walnut creek, in Knox county. She taught the school there for two years. Among her other accomplishments, she was known as the most skillful horse-back rider in the neighborhood, in days when this form of locomotion was common. After her marriage she always lived in Wethersfield, excepting a couple of years spent in Knoxville, where two of her children died. After her husband's death, she never left the old home, but kept a horse which she drove to town and to church, unaided, even to the last Sabbath before her death. She died May 13th. 1900, after a brief illness. The following extract from a local paper testifies the esteem in which she was held: "In the quiet afternoon of an ideal May day, the friends of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Blish gathered at the old homestead, south of the city, Tuesday, and paid a last sad tribute to her noble life. In the large company, which filled the rooms of the hallowed old home, and gathered on the lawn, were many whose hair was streaked with gray and whose forms were bent with years. They were the remnant of the sturdy pioneers, who conquored the prairies of Illinois in former days. They came to drop a tear of love and bow at the bier of one who has seen the seasons come and go for many, many years. Mrs. Blish was one of the last of the early settlers who assisted in the work of upbuilding whatever of worth

has been established here. She was quiet and refined in her bearing, but quick of memory and ready of speech and those who knew her well, heard many a tale of the old pioneer times, intermingled with her delicate sense of humor. Her death is the passing of a landmark, revered, respected and loved most by those who knew her best."

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670. PRUDENCE HUBBARD[7] (BLISH) KNOX.

(Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

PRUDENCE HUBBARD,[7] dtr. of Sylvester,[6] (373) and Rhoda (Cheney) Blish, was b. 26 Mar. 1822, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 20 Jany. 1841, at Wethersfield, Ills., Hon. James Knox, s. of ..... and .....
He was b. 4 July, 1807, at .....

Prudence Hubbard Blish was educated in the schools of Middletown and Hartford, Conn., and at the age of fifteen,, removed to Illinois, with her father. She was a beautiful and accomplished lady, and after her marriage, lived at Knoxville, Ills., where she d. 19 Mar. 1846, of pulmonary consumption.

James Knox was educated at Hamilton College, New York, and Yale College, Conn., and fitted himself for the law. After coming West he engaged in general merchandising at Knoxville, Illinois, doing what little law business that came to him. It was in connection with some land transaction for eastern parties, that he first became acquainted with the family of Col. Blish. He was an extensive land dealer and became very wealthy by this means. At his death he left lands valued at half a million dollars, the bulk of which he devised to trustees for the purpose of founding an Agricultural College at Knoxville, Illinois, upon condition that responsible citizens of Knox county should subscribe $250,000.00 for the same purpose, within one year after his death. In the event of their failure to subscribe the amount, the fund was given to Hamilton and Yale colleges. The subscription was made, but the two colleges named, questioned the validity of the subscription and took the matter into the United States courts, and succeeded in defeating the devise for the Agricultural college. James Knox twice represented his district in Congress, and was a very able and scholarly man. In the latter part of his life he spent much of his time in Europe, mostly in Germany. He d. at Knoxville, where he is buried, 9 Oct. 1876.

671. GEORGE CHENEY[7] BLISH.

(Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GEORGE CHENEY,[7] s. of Col. Sylvester[6] (373) and Rhoda (Cheney) Blish, was b. 12 Jany. 1831, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 14 Dec. 1871, at St. Louis, Mo., Marie Therese, dtr. of Louis and Ernestine (Schmitt) Nievergelder. She was b. 12 May, 1848, at St. Louis, Mo.

CHILDREN.

1043. ELIZABETH MARIE,[8] b. 11 Sept. 1872, at St. Louis, Mo. She is a graduate of St. Xavier's Academy, Chicago, and has for ten years taught in the Chicago public schools.

1044. LOUISE ERNESTINE,[8] b. 24 July, 1874, at St. Louis, Mo. She is also a graduate of St. Xavier's Academy, and the American Conservatory of Music, Chicago. She is a contralto singer of note, and for several years has been one of the instructors in the American Conservatory.

1045. GEORGE JOSEPH,[8] b. 8 Sept. 1876, at St. Louis, Mo. He is a graduate of De LaSalle Institute, Chicago, and since his graduation has worked at book-keeping.

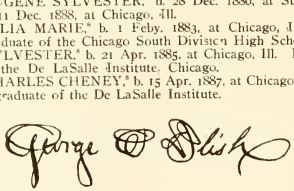
1046. FLORENCE MARIE,[8] b. 8 Sept. 1878, at St. Louis, Mo. She is a graduate of St. James High School, Chicago, and is a teacher in the public schools of Chicago.

1047. EUGENE SYLVESTER,[8] b. 28 Dec. 1880, at St. Louis, Mo. d. 11 Dec. 1888, at Chicago, Ill.

1048. JULIA MARIE,[8] b. 1 Feby. 1883, at Chicago, Ill. She is a graduate of the Chicago South Division High School.

1049. SYLVESTER,[8] b. 21 Apr. 1885, at Chicago, Ill. Is a graduate of the De LaSalle Institute, Chicago.

1050. CHARLES CHENEY,[8] b. 15 Apr. 1887, at Chicago, Ill. Is also a graduate of the De LaSalle Institute.



George Cheney[7] Blish came west with his father in 1837 and obtained his schooling in the Wethersfield public schools. When about 15 years old, he went to Galena, Ills., which at that time was considered one of the thriftiest cities in the State, and entered the employ of B. F. Campbell & Co., wholesale grocers. He became a very expert book-keeper and a few years afterwards became a clerk on one of the steam boats of the Minnesota Packet company, and in this capacity gained a large number of friends and an extensive knowledge of human nature. His executive ability was soon recognized, and he was given the position of sec-

GEORGE CHENEY BLISH.

retary of the company, succeeding his old-time friend, J. Russell Jones. He remained in this position until the breaking out of the civil war, when he went to St. Paul, Minn. During the war his boat was frequently employed in the transportation of troops and supplies down the river, having many exciting experiences. After the war he ran on a line of boats from St. Louis south and up Red river. After his marriage he quit the river and entered the employ of L. M. Rumsey & Co., a wholesale hardware firm of St. Louis. In 1881 he went to Chicago and entered the manufacturing concern of E. Schneider & Co., where by his ability he secured the position of secretary and treasurer, which he filled to the time of his death, which occurred 3 Oct. 1892, at his home 2808 Indiana Ave., Chicago. He was a man of fine literary and artistic tastes, very genial and sociable and intensely devoted to his family.

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673. THOMAS BLISH[7] CHENEY.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

THOMAS BLISH,[7] s. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 2 Dec. 1828, at ..... He m. 26 May, 1853, at Marlboro', Conn., Frances E. Foote. She was b. ....., 1830, ...

CHILDREN.

1051. GEORGE FOOTE[8] CHENEY, b. 5 Oct. 1854. d. 7 June 1862.
1052. ABBIE[8] CHENEY, b. 26 Jany. 1860. d. 9 Feby. 1860.
1053. FREDERIC SHELTON[8] CHENEY, b. 10 Apr. 1861. d. 31 Oct. 1861.

Frances E. (Foote) Cheney d. 5 Oct. 1864, at the age of 34, and Thomas. B. Cheney m. (2) 28 Nov. 1865, at Glastonbury, Conn., Emily L. (Kingsbury) Hollister. She was b. 25 Feby. 1831, and was the widow of Shelton Hollister.

CHILDREN.

1054. THOMAS SHELTON[8] CHENEY, b. 14 Feby. 1867. d. ..... 1868.
1055. FRANCIS EMILY[8] CHENEY, b. 22 Oct. 1868.

Thomas Blish[7] Cheney for a great part of his life was an

accountant for Cheney Bros. silk mills, in South Manchester, Conn. For a time he ran a wholesale flour business in Hartford and then entered the employ of Penfield & Co., Hartford, as bookkeeper, where he continued as long as he was able to do any work. When unable to do steady work, he settled a number of estates. He d. 13 Feby. 1896. He was a man of fine appearance, unswerving integrity and universally respected.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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674. EDWARD HALSEY[7] CHENEY.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EDWARD HALSEY,[7] s. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 29 April, 1832, at Middletown, Conn. He m. at Wethersfield, Ill., 28 Sept. 1861, Katharine M. Anderson. She was b. .....

CHILDREN.

1056. EDNAH ADELINE[8] CHENEY, b. 29 July, 1862. m. *Arthur Joyner.* Children—Edward and Laura.

1057. MILLARD COLFAX[8] CHENEY, b. 19 Oct. 1864. Lives at Aberdeen, Wash. Is m. and has children—Maribel and Millard Colfax, Jr.

1058. LAURA EMILY[8] CHENEY, b. 31 Jany. 1867. m. ..... *Beidler.*

1059. HARRIET ELLINOR[8] CHENEY, b. 29 Jany. 1871. d. 5 Sept. 1872, at Cobden, Ill.

Katharine (Anderson) Cheney d..... Feby. 1891, and Edward Halsey Cheney m. (2) .....

Edward Halsey[7] Cheney was a carriage builder by trade, having learned it in his father's shop in Middletown, Conn. He came West with his mother in 1857, and for some years worked her farm in Kewanee, Ills. He enlisted in the 124th Ill. Vols. in the civil war in 1862. He was discharged 27 April, 1863, and promoted as an officer in a colored regiment, raised in the South. After the war, he lived for a while at Cobden, Ills., and then returned to Conn., from which he went to Florida and engaged in orange growing for some years. His health failing, he removed

to Tennessee, the home of his second wife's parents, where he d. three weeks after his arrival, 19 April, 1900.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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675. GEORGE WELLS[7] CHENEY.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GEORGE WELLS,[7] s. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 15 Dec. 1833, at Middletown, Conn. He m. 5 Nov. 1862, at Hartford, Conn. Amelia Porter, dtr. of Daniel (Jr.) and Lucy Woodruff (Tarbox) Haines. She was b. ....., at Lebanon, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1060. HALSEY HAINES[8] CHENEY, b. 2 June, 1864, at Boston, Mass. He m. 5 Jany. 1869, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. *Alma Streit Raub*, dtr. of James M. and Elizabeth (Streit) Raub.

1061. WINTHROP[8] CHENEY, b. 17 July, 1866, at South Manchester, Conn. d. 16 Dec. 1869.

George Wells[7] Cheney in his younger days, worked in his father's carriage factory, in Middletown, Conn. He also spent several years, with his mother, on the farm at Kewanee, Ills. Returning to Conn. he enlisted at the first call for troops, in the civil war, and was in the first battle of Bull Run. He was very near-sighted, and barely escaped capture by the Confederates, on that account, which being discovered by the military authorities, he was discharged and sent home. For a number of years afterwards he was foreman in the machine shop of Cheney Bros. at South Manchester, Conn. He then started a paper mill, which was burned, and he returned to the machine shop of Cheney Bros. He afterward was engaged in the manufacture of car-stoves, at Haarlem, N. Y., until they were superceded by steam heat. For some five years he had charge of a logwood mill, on the Hudson river, for his brother-in-law, Jacob Weidman. He then retired from active business and located at a place called "Point Comfort", near Peekskill, N. Y. He d. 10 July, 1899, from the effect of a fall. He was repairing his house, and went

upon the scaffolding to direct the work, and it fell to the ground, causing his death.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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676. CHARLES SYLVESTER[7] CHENEY.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES SYLVESTER,[7] s. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 2 April, 1836, at Middletown, Conn. He m. 1 Nov. 1857, Catharine, dtr. of Marcius and Clarissa (Cheney) Hutchins.* She was b. .....

CHILDREN.

1062. CATHARINE BESSIE[8] CHENEY, b. 1 Apr. 1861.
1063. ALICE MAUD[8] CHENEY, b. 12 Nov. 1862.
1064. CHARLES HERMAN[8] CHENEY, b. 6 Sept. 1866.

Charles Sylvester[7] Cheney has been nearly his whole life in the employ of the Cheney Bros. silk mills, at South Manchester, Conn., as book-keeper, accountant and confidential man, and he is still in the same position. Such continuous employment speaks well both for his ability and integrity.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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677. HARRIET ELIZABETH[7] CHENEY.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HARRIET ELIZABETH,[7] dtr. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 23 June, 1838, at Middletown. She was m. at Staten Island, N. Y., 5 Feby. 1868, to James Woodbridge, s. of George Wells and Mary (Cheney) Cheney. He was b. 9 Feby. 1838, at South Manchester, Conn.

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*The Hollister Gen. has this name: "Hotchkins".

CHILDREN.

1065. JOHN PLATT[8] CHENEY, b. 12 Nov. 1868. m. 15 Apr. 1903, at Farmington, Conn., *Alice*, dtr. of *Erastus Gay*. They have one child—Carolyn, b. 30 May, 1904.

1066. ADELINE[8] CHENEY, b. 2 Dec. 1870.

Harriet Elizabeth[7] Cheney has rare artistic ability, to which she devoted herself before her marriage, and still follows, for recreation.

James Woodbridge Cheney is one of the officers and managers of the Cheney Bros. silk mills, at South Manchester, Conn., whose business has been exceedingly successful and whose trade mark is considered a guarantee of excellence and standard quality.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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678. ADELINE LOUISA[7] (CHENEY) BECKINGTON.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ADELINE LOUISA,[7] dtr. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 10 Feby. 1842, at Middletown, Conn. She m. 24 Sept. 1866, at Kewanee, Ills., Charles Beckington. He was b. in Somersetshire, England. 31 Aug. 1835.

CHILDREN.

1067. MARY[8] BECKINGTON, b. 11 July, 1867, at St. Charles, Mo. d. 10 Aug. 1867.

1068. ALICE[8] BECKINGTON, b. 30 July, 1868, at St. Charles, Mo. She is an artist and has a studio in New York City. Of late years her specialty has been miniature painting, in which she has had exceptional success.

Adeline Louise[7] (Cheney) Beckington, after her graduation, devoted her time to teaching, at Kewanee, Ills., for some years, as first assistant in the High School. It was here she met her husband, who was principal of the same school.

Charles Beckington graduated from the University of Michigan in 1862, and then devoted his time to teaching for several years at Kewanee, Ills. He here studied law in the office of Howe & North, and removed to St. Charles, Mo., at which latter place he was elected County Superintendent of Schools. He next removed to Des Moines, Iowa, and for some years was state

agent for the sale of the publications, especially the educational works, of D. Appleton & Co., of New York. About 1882, on account of failing health, he retired from active business, and the family spent several years in Europe, mainly in Germany. Returning, they located at Scituate, Mass., where the family has since resided. He d. in New York City, 15 Mar. 1904, and is buried at South Manchester, Conn.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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679. EMMA JANE[7] (CHENEY) VAIL.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EMMA JANE,[7] dtr. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 8 Sept. 1848, at Middletown, Conn. She m. 20 May, 1868, at Wethersfield, Ills., Edward Martin, s. of Alexander and Sarah Maria (Sebring) Vail. He was b. 8 Sept. 1832, at Greenbrook, Middlesex Co., New Jersey.

CHILDREN.

1069. SIDNEY PERCY[8] VAIL, b. 13 Oct. 1869. He is a telegraph operator and stenographer and at present is in New York City. (1904).

1070. WALTER CHENEY[8] VAIL, b. 17 Sept. 1871. He is a graduate of the Illinois University and now principal of the Manual Training High School, at LaSalle, Ills. He m. 12 Aug. 1903, at Rochester, N. Y., Jessica Beatrice, dtr. of Peter and Sophia (Bear) Marshall. She was b. 5 Jany. 1870.

1071. EDITH[8] VAIL, b. 28 Aug. 1873. She is a graduate of the New Britain, Conn., Normal Training School and taught for several years. She now has a studio in New York City and is engaged in art metal work.

1072. RICHARD HART[8] VAIL, b. 24 May, 1875. After graduating from High School, he devoted his time to newspaper reporting in Kewanee, then was employed for some time on the Railway Age, in Chicago. Is now in the employ of the Colorado Iron Works, makers of mining machinery and located in New York City.

Edward M. Vail, at the time of his marriage, and for some years after, was the leading clothier at Kewanee, Ills. After for over twenty years he was engaged in farming and dairying and

also ran a greenhouse. He has been for several years in the real estate business, though he yet holds his farm.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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680. ELLINOR MARIA[7] (CHENEY) WEIDMAN.

(Adeline Pamelia,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELLINOR MARIA,[7] dtr. of Halsey and Adeline Pamelia[6] (Blish) Cheney, was b. 3 July, 1850, at Middletown, Conn. She m. 13 Dec. 1870, at North Manchester, Conn., Jacob Weidmann. He was b. in Thalwiel, Zurich, Switzerland, 22 Mar. 1845.

CHILD.

1073. ESTHER[8] WEIDMANN, b. 9 Nov. 1871, at South Manchester, Conn. She was named for her grand-mother Weidmann, and was christened in the same church in Switzerland.

Jacob Weidman is a silk dyer and was at the time of his marriage, the head of the dying department of the Cheney Bros. silk mill at South Manchester, Conn. He afterward started an establishment of his own at Patterson, N. J., in which he has been remarkably successful, and is now considered the leader in that business in the United States. His father followed the same business in Switzerland, which is now carried on by his older brother.

References—*Cheney Gen. Hollister Gen.*

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685. ALONZO HOWARD[7] BLISH.

(Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ALONZO HOWARD,[7] s. of Novatus[6] (382) and Sophia (Brett) Blish, was b. 25 Sept. 1818, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. ....., at Franklin, Delaware Co., N. Y., Elizabeth Barnes.

CHILD.

1074. HOWARD,[8] b. about 1842. d. about 1850, at the home of his grand-father, Novatus Blish.

Elizabeth (Barnes) Blish d. ....., and Alonzo Howard Blish m. as his second wife, ... Rexford, ...

CHILDREN.

1075. REXFORD,[8] b. ..... 1855.
1076. GEORGE,[8] b. ..... 1858.

Alonzo Howard[7] Blish acquired a good common school education, and for several years before he was of age, he taught school during the winter months, and worked on the farm in the summer. After he became of age, he and his brother Aaron, bought a place called "Little York", in the town of Walton, in Delaware county, about 150 acres of timber, where they spent two years in clearing and improving it. They then sold out and returned to Stamford and the following winter they both engaged in peddling printed oilcloths, which had just come into use as table and furniture covers, and for a time had a great sale, in the new States of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. They continued in this business for two years, traveling in wagons through the then sparsely settled country of those states, and meeting with many exciting adventures. Soon after their return to New York state Alonzo married and he and his brother Aaron, went to the thriving town of Racine, Wisconsin, and engaged in hotel keeping, remaining something over two years, when they returned to New York, where Alonzo's wife died. He then went to Honesdale, Penn., under an agreement with a man named Rexford, to build and have in operation, within two years, a paper mill. He was to receive as compensation a considerable tract of land on the river, with a water privilege. The death of his father delayed the work but he had the mill in operation within the specified time. Rexford, however, refused to perform his part of the contract, on some pretext, but mainly for the reason that a railroad had been built and other improvements made which rendered the land much more valuable than when the agreement was made. Litigation followed which ended in Rexford having to pay for all of the improvements. This Rexford was an uncle of Alonzo Blish's second wife. After this he and his wife went to Central America, where he was superintendent for the Panama Railroad Co. His health failing here, he returned to New York and was for some

years engaged in various railroad works, until about 1860, when he removed to Arkadelphia, Arkansas, with his wife and two boys, and died there in 1883 or 1884.

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686. AARON[7] BLISH.

(Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

AARON,[7] s. of Novatus[6] (382) and Sophia (Brett) Blish, was b. 11 July, 1820, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. 28 July, 1847, Nancy A., dtr. of Lyman and Olive (Osborn) Goodenough. She was b. 28 Feby. 1827, at Stamford, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1077. OLIVE S.[8] b. 12 Sept. 1850. m. 25 Nov. 1874. *T. J. Sarvan.*
1078. FANNIE F.[8] b. 1 Sept. 1852. m. 17 Aug. 1875. *G. C. Bevins.* and lives in Hartford, Conn.
1079. ALICE C.[8] b. 14 Apr. 1856.
1080.+EDWIN M.[8] b. 25 June, 1857.

The history of Aaron[7] Blish is almost identical with that of his brother Alonzo, up to the time that they returned from Wisconsin, about 1846. From the time of his marriage until the spring of 1852, he engaged in farming at Stamford. He then left his wife and children, and went to the California gold fields, where he remaiend for three years. Returning with a reasonable fortune, he bought his father-inlaw's farm of 150 acres, in the Village of Stamford, which is now called "the Saratoga of the Catskills". Here he remained the rest of his days. He was a man of remarkable physical and mental vigor and indomitable courage. He d. 6 Apr. 1858, highly respected by all who knew him. His wife Nancy, d. 16 Oct. 1879, and both are buried at Stamford, N. Y.

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687. HENRY MARSHALL[7] BLISH.

(Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HENRY MARSHALL,[7] s. of Novatus[6] (382) and Sophia (Brett) Blish, was b. 14 Feby. 1824, at Stamford, N. Y. He m.

14 Feby. 1850, at Bloomville, N. Y. Catharine Susan, dtr. of John and Susanna (Champion) Bathrick. She was b. 15 Oct. 1826, at Bloomville, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1081. ANNA SOPHIA,[8] b. 18 Mar. 1851, at East Brooklyn, Long Island, N. Y.
1082. MARY ELLA,[8] b. 15 Mar. 1855, at Stamford, N. Y.
1083. CARRIE ADELIA,[8] b. 5 Oct. 1859, at Gulf Summit, Broome Co., N. Y.
1084 HIRAM ELLSWORTH,[8] b. 23 Aug. 1862, at Gulf Summit.

Catharine Susan Blish d. 30 Oct. 1862, and Henry Marshall Blish m. (2) 6 Sept. 1863, Cornelia Amanda, dtr. of Elias Green and Peniah Terrell. She was b. 21 July, 1843, at Herrick, Penn.

CHILDREN.

1085. HENRY GREENE,[8] b. 23 Oct. 1865. He graduated at Marietta College, Ohio, and was for some time professor of mathematics at Baptist College, Santa Barbara, California.
1086. DON ALONZO,[8] b. 25 July, 1867.
1087. FRANCIS MARION,[8] b. 4 May, 1874.

Henry Marshall[7] Blish on arriving of age, learned the carpenter's trade, and after his marriage went to Brooklyn, N. Y., where he remained about two years. He then returned to Stamford and followed building for four years, after which he settled at Gulf Summit, in Broome county, N. Y., and has followed farming and dairying ever since.

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688. NOVATUS MAPES[7] BLISH.

(Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

NOVATUS MAPES,[7] s. of Novatus[6] (382) and Mary (Mapes) Blish, was b. 14 July 1828, at Roxbury, Delaware county, N. Y. He m. 22 Sept. 1851, at Hobart, N. Y. Marietta, dtr. of John and Eleanor (Grant) Cowan. She was b. 11 Dec. 1830, at Hobart, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1088.+CHARLES ADISON,[8] b. 21 July, 1852, at Stamford, N. Y.
1089. HELEN MARY,[8] b. 9 July, 1855. She m. 25 Sept. 1875, *Robert Bruce Chisholm*, of Elgin, Ill., whose father was the discoverer and owner of the famous "Emma Silver Mine". She d. 20 Feby.

1878, without issue.
1090. +JOHN COWAN,[7] b. 16 Apr. 1857.
1091. MARIETTA ELOISE,[7] b. 6 Dec. 1861.

Marietta Cowan Blish d. 25 Mar. 1893, at Hobart, N. Y.

Novatus Mapes[7] Blish received a fair education at the home schools and Hobart Academy. Though but twenty years of age at the death of his father, he succeeded to his business of merchandising and farming. He still has his father's farm, which is known as the "Blish Homestead", having been in the family over seventy years, and containing 430 acres of land. He is a prominent and influential man in his section of the country. Has been Justice of the Peace over twelve years, Justice of Sessions for two terms, and an active member of the Grange organization in the State, representing his county in the State Grange, and the State Grange before the Legislature, in 1883-4, in promotion of legislation for the benefit of agricultural interests.

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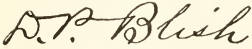
690. DAVID PARSHALL[7] BLISH.

(Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID PARSHALL[7] s. of Novatus[6] (382) and Mary (Mapes) Blish, was b. 6 Oct. 1836, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. 17 Sept, 1861, at Hobart, N. Y., Lucinda, dtr. of Ebenezer and Anna (Sturgis) Silliman. She was b. 4 Oct. 1838, at Hobart, N. Y.



David Parshall[7] Blish was schooled in Stamford and Hobart, N. Y., and at the age of twenty, took Horace Greeley's advice, and went west, arriving at Ripon, Wisconsin, in 1856, and for two years was in general merchandising and lumber trade. Returned to New York and remained about four years, during which

time he was married. About 1862 returned to Ripon, and engaged in farming for four years; then removed to Chicago, Ills., and engaged in the sale of agricultural implements for about two years, and then went to Atchison, Kas., where he has since resided. He is the senior member of the wholesale hardware business of Blish, Mize & Silliman Hardware Co., a remarkably successful company, which was at first a partnership composed of himself and his brothers-in-law, E. A. Mize and J. B. Silliman. He is an active member of Trinity Episcopal Church, of Atchison, and has been Senior Warden for many years; also a member of the Standing Committee of the same church in the Diocese of Kansas. Was also Lay Delegate to the General Convention of the same church, held in Chicago, in 1886, and again at Baltimore, in 1892.

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691. CAROLINE DELIA[7] (BLISH) RICH.

(Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CAROLINE DELIA,[7] dtr. of Aristarchus[6] (383) and Nancy Cornelia (Merriam) Blish, was b. 3 Sept. 1824, at Stamford, N. Y. She m. 25 Apr, 1850, Robert Stirling, s. of James and Helena (Marshall) Rich.

CHILDREN.

1092. JAMES BLISH[8] RICH, b. 26 Jany. 1856, at Hobart, N. Y.
1093. CAROLINE MERRIAM[8] RICH, b. 4 Feby. 1861.
1094. STEPHEN WYATT[8] RICH, b. 25 Sept. 1864.
1095. BERTHA EMILIE[8] RICH, b. 2 Feby. 1869.

Robert Stirling Rich finished his education and received his mercantile training in New York City. In 1855 he engaged in merchandising at Hobart, N. Y., and, in company with his son James, still continues the business.

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692. EVALINE CELIA[7] (BLISH) SMITH.

(Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EVALINE CELIA,[7] dtr. of Aristarchus[6] (383) and Nancy Cornelia (Merriam) Blish, was b. 5 June, 1826, at Stamford, N.

Y. She m. 9 June, 1859, Thomas H., s. of William Smith. He was b. 23 Feby, 1818, in England.

CHILDREN.

1096. GEORGE B.[8] SMITH, b. 18 June 1860, at N. Harpersfield, N. Y.
1097. HENRY T.[8] SMITH, b. 20 June, 1862.
1098. NANCY M.[8] SMITH, b. 4 June, 1865.
1099. MARY E.[8] SMITH, b. 22 July, 1868.

Evaline Celia[7] (Blish) Smith d. 23 Jany, 1879, at Harpersfield, and is buried at Kortright, N. Y.

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693. LORANA ANN[7] (BLISH) McLAURY.

(Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LORANA ANN,[7] dtr. of Aristarchus[6] (383) and Nancy Cornelia (Merriam) Blish, was b. 7 April, 1828, at Stamford, N. Y. She m. 8 June, 1854, Daniel, s. of Thomas B. and Prudence (McGilliavrae) McLaury. He was b. 8 May, 1828, at Davenport, Delaware county, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1100.+CHARLES BLISH[8] McLAURY, b. 24 May, 1855, at New Brunswick, N. J.
1101. CARRIE ADELIA[8] McLAURY, b. 13 Sept. 1857. d. 14 Aug. 1858.
1102. MARY ISABELLA[8] McLAURY, b. 20 Feby. 1859.
1103. LORANA ANN[8] McLAURY, b. 10 Feby. 1861. d. Feby. 12, 1861.

Daniel B. McLaury was raised and schooled in New York State, and in 1854 settled in New Brunswick, N. J., and went extensively into market gardening and small fruits. Some idea of the extent of his business may be gathered from the fact, that as high as 248 bushels of strawberries have been picked in one day. For man years the business was very profitable, high prices for choice fruits prevailing. Cultivated blackberries brought high prices from 1864 to 1869. In 1873-74 small fruits began to come from the south, northern fruit growers having seen the possibilities of that field, and this combined with a financial crisis, seriously injured the fruit business in the northern states. Mr. McLaury retired from the fruit business some years ago, devoting himself to real estate and insurance.

Lorana Ann[7] (Blish) McLaury d. 16 Feby, 1861, a few days after the birth of her last child, and is buried in Willow Grove cemetery, New Brunswick, N. J.

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694. MORILLA LOUISE[7] (BLISH) ABELL.

(Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MORILLA LOUISE,[7] dtr. of Aristarchus[6] (383) and Nancy Cornelia (Merriam) Blish, was b. 15 Aug, 1831, at Stamford, N. Y. She m. 5 April, 1853, at Stamford, William Palmer, s. of Otis and Lucy (Stark) Abell. He was b. 19 Aug. 1822, at Lebanon, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1104. MARY LOUISE[8] ABELL, b. 10 May, 1855, at Franklin, N. Y.
1105. LILLIAN AUGUSTA[8] ABELL, b. 20 Feby. 1859. m. 9 Dec. 1884, at Franklin, N. Y. to *Otis M. Brinkman.* Issue—William Abell Brinkman, b. 26 Jany. 1893.
1106. JULIA LORANA[8] ABELL, b. 8 Jany. 1861.
1107. EMILY BLISH[8] ABELL, b. 15 Aug. 1863.
1108. ADALINE CHAMBERLAIN[8] ABELL, b. 16 Apr. 1872. d. 22 Jany. 1884.

William Palmer Abell d. 3 Feby, 1884, at Franklin, N. Y., and is buried in Onleont Valley semetery.

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695. JOSHUA WEBSTER[7] BLISH.

(Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOSHUA WEBSTER,[7] s. of Aristarchus[6] (383) and Nancy Cornelia (Merriam) Blish, was b. 4 July, 1834, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. 10 June, 1869, Nancy L., dtr. of ..... and Isabella (Blakely) Merwin. Had one boy who d. in Dec. 1871, at Minneapolis, Minn., aged 8 months.

He m. (2) 25 Sept. 1873, Abigail A., dtr. of John and Salome (Rose) King. She d. 13 Feby. 1875, and he m. (3) 18 Oct. 1876, at Harpersfield, N. Y., Elizabeth Rose, dtr. of Thomas H. and Catharine (Rose) Smith. She was b. 27 Feby. 1850, at Kortright, N. Y.

Joshua Webster[7] Blish remained at home until he was about 35 years old, when he went west and located near Minneapolis, Minn., which at that time was a small place. He had 200 acres of land and farmed it for three years, when serious illness compelled him to sell out and return to New York, where he has since remained. He now owns the farm which was his father's homestead, and about 300 acres, near South Kortright.

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697. EMILY FLORELLA[7] (BLISH) KING.

(Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EMILY FLORELLA,[7] dtr. of Aristarchus[6] (383) and Nancy Cornelia (Merriam) Blish, was b. 23 Oct. 1840, at Stamford, N. Y. She m. ..... 1870, at Stamford, Edmund George, s. of John and Salome (Rose) King. He was b. ..... 1837, at Stamford.

CHILDREN.

1109. HARRIET MERRIAM[8] KING, b. 19 Jany. 1873.
1110. WILLIAM EDMUND[8] KING, b. 25 Nov. 1876.
1111. HOWARD BLISH[8] KING, b. 22 Apr. 1880.

John, the father of Edmund George King, was a native of Scotland, and came to America when young. He was a farmer and Edmund followed the same calling, keeping the old homestead, which is still in the possession of the family. He d. 30 Dec. 1888, at Stamford, and was buried at Hobart, N. Y. He was a man of high character, sound judgment and generous nature.

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698. MORRIS FARRINGTON[7] BLISH.

(Roderic Skinner,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MORRIS FARRINGTON,[7] s. of Roderic Skinner[6] (384) and Florella (Farrington) Blish, was b. 16 Nov. 1827, at Rose's Brook, Delaware Co. N. Y. He m. 30 Sept. 1864, Sarah (Sidebotham) Macomber, widow of George Macomber. She was b. ....., at .....

CHILDREN.

1112. +FRANK MAY,[8] b. 30 June, 1865, at Wilmington, Ill.
1113. PAULINE FORD,[8] b. 6 Oct. 1868.

Morris Farrington Blish was a grocer at Wilmington, Ill.

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700. ANNA AUGUSTA[7] (BLISH) STEELE.

(Roderic Skinner,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ANNA AUGUSTA,[7] dtr. of Roderic Skinner[6] (384) and Florella (Farrington) Blish, was b. 10 Sept. 1833, at Rose's Brook, N. Y. She m. 6 Sept. 1853, at Prattsville, N. Y., William Robert, s. of Robert and Mahala (See) Steele. He was b. 15 June, 1851, in New York City.

CHILDREN.

1116. LILLIAN AUGUSTA[8] STEELE, b. 21 Oct. 1854. m. 13 Oct. 1874, *William H. Cottingham.*
1117. CARRIE ALETHA[8] STEELE, b. 12 June, 1856. m. 27 July, 1875, *Alfred J. Humberstone.*
1118. FLORELLA[8] STEELE, b. 10 Nov. 1867. d. 9 Oct. 1868.
1119. MABEL[8] STEELE, b. 16 June, 1871. m. 2 June, 1892, *J. Henry King.*

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709. DEMIS JANE[7] (BLISH) NORTON.

(Aaron Hosford,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DEMIS JANE,[7] dtr. of Aaron Hosford[6] (404) and Eunice Peckham (Clark) Blish, was b. 31 May, 1841, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 1 April, 1861, at Hebron, Conn., Gilbert Burns, s. of William Henry and Harriet Eliza (Amidon) Norton. He was b. 29 June, 1833, at S. Glastonbury, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1120. CHARLES EUGENE[8] NORTON, b. 4 Feby. 1862, at Marlborough, Conn.
1121. FRED HERBERT[8] NORTON, b. 29 Mar. 1864, at Manchester, Conn.
1122. OTIS GILBERT[8] NORTON, b. 29 June, 1866, at Marlborough, Conn. d. 5 June, 1872, at Manchester, Conn.

1123. ARTHUR WILLARD[8] NORTON, b. 17 May, 1871, at Manchester, Conn.
1124. HENRY MARSHALL[8] NORTON, b. 6 Dec. 1876, at Manchester, Conn.

Gilbert B. Norton learned the machinist's trade, at Manchester, where his brother William was forehan. At Manchester, 16 Dec. 1863, he enlisted in Co. H. 1st Conn. Heavy Artillery, and served through the civil war. At the close of the war he returned to Manchester and worked three years for the Union Mfg. Co. He then entered the employ of the Cheney Bros. Silk Mills, where he remained sixteen years, being foreman the last eight. His sons Charles and Fred learned the same trade under their father, and then started an independent shop in South Manchester, which they later sold to their father, the boys engaging in electrical work. Arthur graduated from the Hartford High School, in 1889, and Henry took a business course in Hartford. Gilbert B. Norton has been a Free Mason since he was a young man.

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711. ELLA ANNETTE[7] (BLISH) KEENEY.

(Aaron Hosford,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELLA ANNETTE,[7] dtr. of Aaron Hosford[6] (404) and Eunice Peckham (Clark) Blish, was b. 17 July, 1845, at Glastonbury, Conn. Shs m. 20 Sept. 1866, at Marlborough, Conn., Lorin Augustus, s. of Gera Goodell and Harriet Marilda (Post) Keeney. He was b. 7 July, 1845, at South Manchester, Conn.

CHILD.
1125. HERMAN LORIN[8] KEENEY, b. 13 Sept. 1868, at Meriden, Conn.

Lorin A. Keeney was schooled in South Manchester, where he remained until after marriage, when he moved to Meriden, Conn. He is a mechanic. His wife, Ella Annette, d. 17 Nov. 1894, at Meriden, of Bright's disease.

712. HARRIET PRUDENCE[7] (BLISH) MILLER.

(Aaron Hosford,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HARRIET PRUDENCE,[7] dtr. of Aaron Hosford[6] (404) and Eunice Peckham (Clark) Blism, was b. 15 Dec. 1848, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 23 Feby. 1871, at Meriden, Conn., Edward Gardner, s. of Harrison Plum and Lucy Rank (Johnson) Miller. He was b. 23 Feby. 1850, at Meriden, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1126. EDNA MAUDE[8] MILLER, b. 29 Nov. 1871, at Meriden, Conn.
1127. CLARA BLANCHARD[8] MILLER, b. 18 June, 1874.
1128. ALICE LAYETTE[8] MILLER, b. 24 July, 1881, at Shelton, Conn.

Edward G. Miller was raised and schooled in Meriden, and at the age of 18 years, started to learn the britania and silverware trade. Shortly after completing his trade, he accidentlly lost an eye, and for several years engaged in the grocery business. He then resumed his trade and worked at Shelton, Conn., and Rockford, Ills. He returned to Meriden for a time, and in 1889 went to Lyons, N. Y., where he was superintendent of the Manhattan Silver Plate Company. He d. at Lyons, 9 Dec. 1893, of Bright's disease.

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713. ROGER DUDLEY[7] BLISH.

(Aaron Hosford,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ROGER DUDLEY,[7] s. of Aaron Hosford[6] (404) and Eunice Peckham (Clark) Blish, was b. 22 June, 1849, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. ..... June, 1877, at Reading, Penn., Mary, dtr. of John and Mary (Bright) Shaffer. She was b. 14 May, 1846, at Reading, Penn.

He m. (2) 12 Jany. 1897, Emma J. Robinson.

Roger D[7]. Blish lived in the town of Marlborough, until the age of 12, when his father moved to South Manchester, Conn., where he worked in the Cheney Bros. silk mills, until he was 18 years old. He then went to New Britain and learned the carpenter's trade. He next moved to Meriden, Conn., and worked for 12 years for Edward Miller & Co., as pattern maker. He then

went to New Haven and entered the employ of the Southern New England Telephone Co. as Supt. of the cable department, which position he has held for many years.

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717. ALICE MARIA[7] (BLISH) HALING.

(Chauncey,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ALICE MARIA,[7] dtr. of Chauncey[6] (405) and Esther Maria (Slate) Blish, was b. 15 July, 1844, at Marlborough, Conn. She m. 30 May, 1869, Henry Bartlett, s. of Alfred and Sarah Elizabeth (Shuman) Haling. He was b. 24 Aug. 1842, at Marlboro'.

CHILDREN.

1129. ARTHUR BUCKLAND[8] HALING, b. 3 Nov. 1871, at Marlboro', Conn.
1130. MILTON WILFRED[8] HALING, b. 4 Oct. 1873.

Henry B. Haling received his education in the common and select schools of Marlboro'. and worked with his father until the civil war broke out, when he enlisted in the 10th. Regt. of Conn. Vols., and served four years. He was wounded in the charge on Fort Gregg, in the rear of Petersburg, Vir. Since the war he has followed the occupation of clerk and book-keeper. He represented the Town of Marlboro' in the State Legislature, in 1876. Has lived in Poquonock and South Manchester, at which latter place he has been book-keeper for Hale, Day & Co., for several years.

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718. HELEN ELIZA[7] (BLISH) BUELL.

(Chauncey,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HELEN ELIZA,[7] dtr. of Chauncey[6] (405) and Esther Maria (Slate) Blish, was b. 30 Jany. 1849, at Marlboro', Conn. She was m. 4 June, 1874, by Rev. Saml. G. Willard, to Theron B. Buell. He was b. 25 July, 1844.

CHILDREN.

1131. EDNA RUTH[8] BUELL, b. 25 Sept. 1875, at Marlboro', Conn.
1132. EDITH ALICE[8] BUELL, b. 22 Feby. 1877.

1133. ROBERT THERON[8] BUELL, b. 4 Dec. 1879.
1134. HELEN PEARL[8] BUELL, b. 8 Apr. 1882.

Theron B. Buell was the adopted son of Capt. Augustus Blish and his wife, Delight Buell, and by virtue of their wills, succeeded to their farm and other property. He has been a former all of his lifetime and still resides in Marlboro'. He has held many local offices, and was at a recent date, clerk of the probate court.

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719. ESTHER JANE[7] (BLISH) JONES.

(Chauncey,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ESTHER JANE,[7] dtr. of Chauncey[6] (405) and Esther Maria (Slate) Blish, was b. 15 May, 1852, at Marlboro', Conn. She m. 1 June, 1871, at Salem, Conn., William Wallace, s. of William Timothy, and Mary Eliazabeth (Northam) Jones. He was b. 2 June, 1845, at Hebron, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1135. CARLETON BLISH[8] JONES, b. 17 Oct. 1872, at Willimantic. Conn.
1136. WILLIAM CLINTON[8] JONES, b. 21 Jany. 1879, at Hebron. Conn.
1137. FITCH NORTHAM[8] JONES, b. 1 May, 1882.

William W. Jones passed his youth on his father's farm, near Colchester, Conn., and attended the district school. At the age of 15 he entered Bacon Academy in Colchester, graduating four years later. He then went into the grocery business with his brother in New York City, for three years, when he sold out and returned to Hebron, and learned the mason's trade from his father, which he followed with farming and lumbering, for 15 years, since which time he has been engaged in mercantile business, at Hebron. Has been select-man in Hebron for five years and held a number of minor offices. Is a prominent democrat and a member of the State Central Committee for the 23rd. Dist. and also on State Executive Committee.

726. HELEN ELIZA[7] (CARRIER) WILDER.

(Harriet Eliza,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HELEN ELIZA,[7] dtr. of William and Harriet Eliza[6] (704) (Blish) Carrier, was b. 8 Jany. 1839, at Marlboro', Conn. She m. 25 Dec. 1860, at Cuba, N. Y., Charles L. Wilder. He was b. 30 April, 1840.

CHILDREN.

1138. FRED STEVENS[8] WILDER, b. 8 Oct. 1862. d. 6 Jany. 1864.
1139. WILLIAM KENDALL[8] WILDER, b. 20 July, 1865. m. 2 Sept. 1886, *Kate A. Carrier.* Is an engineer at Ft. Wayne, Ind.
1140. EDWARD CHARLES[8] WILDER, b. 16 Nov. 1867. Is a carpenter at Olean, N. Y.

Charles L. Wilder was a farmer. He d. 9 Sept. 1890, at Cuba, N. Y.

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732. FRANK HOSFORD[7] BLISH.

(Daniel,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FRANK HOSFORD,[7] s. of Daniel[6] (409) and Fanny Maria (Howe) Blish, was b. 9 Aug. 1857, at Marlboro', Conn. He m. 25 Sept. 1896, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, Ella Agnes, dtr. of Samuel and Emma (Phillips) Cunningham. She was b. 1 Nov. 1870, at Halifax, N. S.

CHILD.

1141. EDWIN ALLAN,[8] b. 28 Feby. 1901, at Marlboro', Conn.

Frank Hosford[7] Blish is a farmer, and lives on the old homestead in Marlboro', which has been in the family for over one hundred years.

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735. FREDERICK THOMAS[7] BLISH.

(Daniel,[6] Roger,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FREDERICK THOMAS,[7] s. of Daniel[6] (409) and Fanny Maria (Howe) Blish, was b. 31 July, 1868, at Marlboro', Conn.

He m. 17 Aug. 1897, at Hartford, Conn., Edna Maria, dtr. of Albert William and Nellie (Brown) Hollister. She was b. 1 Dec. 1873, at South Manchester, Conn.

CHILD.

1142. FREDERIC THOMAS,[8] b. 1 Oct. 1898, at South Manchester, Conn.

Frederic Thomas[7] Blish was educated at Bacon Academy, in Colchester, Conn., and also took a course at Eastman College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He served an apprenticeship of two years in a hardware store in Willimantic, Conn., and worked at the same business in Providence, R. I. He traveled for a New York hardware house some time and had charge of a store at Northampton, Mass., for five years. Is now in the hardware business for himself at South Manchester, Conn., where he has been since 1894.

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699. HENRY MOORE[7] BLISH.

(Roderic Skinner,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abra-Abraham.[1])

HENRY MOORE,[7] s. of Roderic Skinner[6] (384) and Florella (Farrington) Blish, was b. 9 June, 1830, at Rose's Brook, Delaware county, N. Y. He m. 3 Dec. 1856, in New York City, Rhoda Kelly.

CHILDREN.

1114. ELLA,[8] b. .....
1115 ETTA,[8] b. .....

Henry Moore[7] Blish spent his childhood at Rose's Brook, but developing a taste for commercial pursuits, when a young man, he went to New York City, where he has since resided. For many years he has been in the office of the Standard Oil Company, in New York.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

800. JOSEPH[8] BLISH.

(Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOSEPH,[8] s. of Joseph[7] (420) and Mehitable (Freeman) Blish, was b. 5 Jany. 1810, at W. Barnstable, Mass. He m. 4 June, 1831, at Waltham, Mass., Abigail Ingersoll, dtr. of William and Elizabeth (Ingersoll) Champney. She was b. 22 Feby. 1809, at .....

CHILDREN.

1143. HENRIETTA[9], b. 10 July, 1832, at Waltham, Mass., d. at St. Louis, Mo., at the age of four years.

1144. JOSEPH[9], b. 5 Sept. 1834, at Philadelphia, Penn. After leaving school, he clerked for a time, then learned telegraphy and followed that occupation until the breaking out of the civil war, when he enlisted in Burgess' Sharp Shooters, in Missouri, and served through the war. He was discharged in the south, and went to Texas looking for employment, and was never heard of afterward. Diligent search was made for him, but no trace discovered. He is believed to have been murdered, as Texas, at that time, was not a safe place for union soldiers.

1145+GEORGE WILLIAM,[9] b. 1 Mar. 1837, at Rome, Ills.

1146.+CAROLINE ELDRED,[9] b. 4 June, 1840, at St. Charles, Mo.

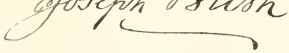
1147.+ALICE SISSON,[9] b. 8 Jany. 1842, at Griswold's Landing, Franklin county, Missouri.

1148.+MARY EVALINE,[9] b. 31 Oct. 1844.

1149.+ELLEN,[9] b. 19 Jany. 1847, at Earlville, Ills.

1150. SUSAN DOW,[9] b. 19 July, 1847, at Ottawa, Ills.

1151. FRANCIS BRY,[9] b. 21 Feby. 1852, at LaSalle, Ills. After leaving school he was employed as clerk and book-keeper, and from 1881 to 1893, he was Asst. Cashier in the First Nat'l Bank, of LaSalle, Ills. He m. 20 June, 1893, at LaSalle, *Mary Madaline*, dtr. of *Rev. George and Charlotte Bronson*, of Waterbury, Mass. Gradually failing health caused him to resign his position in the bank and move to Los Angeles, California. The change, however, was made too late, as he d. 23 June, 1898, and is buried in Los Angeles. His widow resides at Oak Park, a suburb of Chicago, and is a music teacher.



Joseph[8] Blish, at the age of sixteen, went to Waltham, Mass and learned the machinist's trade. In 1832, the year after his

marriage, he removed to Philadelphia, Penn., and engaged in the manufacture of combs, very large back combs for ladies being then in vogue. From here he went to St. Louis, Mo., and engaged in merchandising. After a couple of years here he moved to Rome, Ills., in 1836. Rome at that time was thought to be the coming city of the Illinois river, being larger than Peoria. He ran a store here for two years, and then sold out and moved to Franklin county, Missouri, and in company with his father and brother, built a saw mill at Griswold's Landing, opposite Pinckney. In 1845 he moved to Earlville, Ills., where he remained about two years, and then went to Ottawa, Ills., where he remained about the same time, and then moved to LaSalle, Ills., where he lived the rest of his life.

Joseph[8] Blish was the seventh of the name in a direct line, and named his first son Joseph, but his son's unfortunate disappearance, broke the line. The compiler visited him at LaSalle, and can say, that he was a very genial and intelligent man, and remarkably well posted in family history. He d. at his home in LaSalle, 20 Jany. 1887. He and his worthy wife celebrated their Golden Wedding in 1881.

Abigail Ingersoll (Champney) Blish, went to California with her son Francis, and d. at Los Angeles, on her wedding anniversary, 4 June, 1897. Her father, William Champney, (b. 5 Apr. 1773) was a master ship builder in the Charlestown Navy Yard. He m. 17 May, 1795, and was accidentally killed at the launching of the frigate "Independence" 19 June, 1814.

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802. GEORGE[8] BLISH.

(Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GEORGE,[8] s. of Joseph,[7] (420) and Mehitable (Freeman) Blish, was b. 5 May, 1816, at Pittston, Maine, He m. 31 May, 1838, at Gasconade, Mo., Irene, dtr. of Elam and Irene (Eaton) Young. She was b. 10 Aug. 1818, at ..... Ohio.

CHILDREN.

1152. HENRIETTA MEHITABLE,[9] b. 4 Feby. 1839, near St. Louis Missouri.
1153. WILLIAM LEONTINE FREEMAN,[9] b. 25 Nov. 1840, at Blish's Mills, Franklin County, Mo.
1154. THOMAS SWIFT,[9] b. 18 Sept. 1842.

1155. DAVID CROWELL,[8] b. 17 Feby. 1844.
1156. CHARLES,[8] b. 9 July, 1846.
1157. PRESTON,[8] b. 1 Sept. 1848, in LaSalle County, Ills.
1158. SARAH,[8] b. 11 Nov. 1850, in Clermont County, Ohio.
1159. ELIZABETH,[8] b. 4 July, 1854, at West Union, Washington Co. Oregon.
1160. GEORGE CALVIN,[8] b. 24 Dec. 1855.
1161. MARTHA STELLA,[8] b. 6 May, 1859.
1162. MARY ANNA,[8] b. 26 Aug. 1861.

George[8] Blish went to school at Pittston, Me., until ten years of age, when his parents removed to Bath, Me., where they remained about two years and then broke up house-keeping, his father going to Pawtucket, R. I., and he and his mother to Sandwich, Mass. About 1837 he went to Missouri and was for over ten years engaged in saw-milling with his father and brother Joseph, and in farming. In 1852 he went to Oregon across the plains, and returning, started with his family, consisting of wife and three children. They went by way of the Isthmus of Panama, reshipping on a steamer on the Pacific side for SanFrancisco, where they arrived in November. They went from there to Oregon, and settled at Hillsboro, and he went to farming, which he followed for twenty-seven years. In 1880 he moved to Whitman county, Washington, where he remained until the death of his wife, Irene, which occurred 5 Apr. 1888, when he returned to Washington county, Oregon, living among his children. In 1891 he went to Tekoa, Washington, to live with his daughter, Martha

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803. RETURA SIDNEY[8] (BLISH) WHITE.

(Charles,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

RETURA SIDNEY,[8] dtr. of Dr. Charles[7] (421) and Rebecca Ann (McGrew) Blish, was b. 28 Dec. 1823, at Hampton, Penn. She m. ..... July, 1846, Dr. David McConechy White.

CHILDREN.

I. CHARLES[9] WHITE, b. ..... d. unm. 1865, of consumption.
II. EMMA[9] WHITE, b. ..... m. 17 May, 1886, at Columbus, Ohio, *Samuel Foster.*
III. WIRT[9] WHITE, b. .....
IV. DAVID[9] WHITE, b. .....
V. JOHN McGREW[9] WHITE, b. .....
VI. HEBER[9] WHITE, b. ..... m. *Nancy King.*
VII. SARAH ADELAIDE[9] WHITE, b. ..... Sept. 1860.

Ritura Sidney[8] (Blish) White, d. ..... 1863, of consumption.

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818. TEMPERANCE SHAW[8] (BLISH) LAWRENCE.

(George,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

TEMPERANCE SHAW,[8] dtr. of George (422) and Rebecca P. (Fish) Blish, was b. at Barnstable, 28 July, 1826. She m. 25 Mar. 1852, at Boston, Mass., William F., s. of Francis and Hannah (Wood) Lawrence. He was b. 15 Dec. 1826, at Nashua, N. H.

CHILDREN.

1163. GRACE HELEN[9] LAWRENCE, b. 29 Dec. 1856, at Boston, Mass. She m. 14 Feby. 1893, *Richard R. Beard*, of Kenilworth, Eng.

1164.+KATHARINE FRANCES[9] LAWRENCE, b. 16 Jany. 1866, at Boston, Mass.

Temperance Shaw[8] (Blish) Lawrence, was a remarkably handsome woman and had a commanding presence. She was a devoted wife and mother, intelligent and well informed, and a delightful reader and conversationalist, and a typical illustration of the lines of Wordsworth,

"A lovely woman, nobly planned,
To warn, to comfort and command."

She d. suddenly of heart trouble, 18 Sept. 1897, at West Newton, Mass., and is interred in Mt. Auburn cemetery, Cambridge, Mass.

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825. MARIA JANE[6] (BLISS) BAKER.

(Owen,[7] Owen,[6] Benjamin,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARIA JANE,[8] dtr. of Owen,[7] (431) and Caroline (Jagger) Bliss, was b. 26 Feby. 1844, at Centerville, Mass. She m. 17 Aug. 1862, at Centreville, Mass., Clarence Linwood, s. of Alvan and Delaney (West) Baker. He was b. 19 Aug. 1842, at Osterville, Mass.

CHILDREN.

1165. CHESTER LINWOOD[9] BAKER, b. 27 May, 1863, at Osterville.
1166. JENNIE MARIA[9] BAKER, b. 1 Mar. 1880.

Clarence Linwood Baker was the son of a mariner, and followed the sea from boyhood, for thirty-five years, excepting that during the civil war, he served in the U. S. Navy. He retired from the sea at the age of forty-six, and settled at Osterville, where he has held local offices.

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826. EUNICE LOVELL[8] (BLISS) LEWIS.

(Owen,[7] Owen,[6] Benjamin,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EUNICE LOVELL,[8] dtr. of Owen,[7] (431) and Caroline (Jagger) Bliss, was b. 4 Sept. 1846, at Centreville, Mass. She m. 20 Feby. 1866, at Osterville, Mass., John Wesley, s. of John and Abigail Lewis. He was b. 1 Feby. 1841, at Osterville, Mass.

CHILDREN.

1167. OWEN BLISS[9] LEWIS, b. 6 Dec. 1868, at Osterville.
1168. WALTER FRANKLIN[9] LEWIS, b. 25 Mar. 1870.
1169. RICHARD ELMER[9] LEWIS, b. 26 Sept. 1872.

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829. EUNICE REBECCA[8] (BLISS) NEWELL.

(Abraham,[7] Owen,[6] Benjamin,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EUNICE REBECCA,[8] dtr. of Abraham[7] (438) and Mary Ann (Cornell) Bliss, was b. 17 Apr. 1843, at Providence, R. I. She m. 3 Oct. 1865, at Pawtucket, R. I., Edward Francis, s. of Francis and Eunice Louisa (Shepard) Newell. He was b. 8 Nov. 1842, at Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

1170. ABRAM BLISS[9] NEWELL, b. 30 Apr. 1867, at Providence, Rhode Island.
1171. HENRY EDWARD[9] NEWELL, b. 10 Sept. 1869, at N. Scituate, Rhode Island.

1172. MARY LOUISA[8] NEWELL, b. 7 Nov. 1871, at N. Attleboro, Mass. d. 11 Nov. 1873.
1173. CHARLES ATWOOD[8] NEWELL, b. 5 July, 1876. d. 6 Feby. 1878.
1174. FRANKIE[8] NEWELL, b. 10 July, 1888. d. same day.

All are buried in Swanpoint cemetery, Providence, R. I.

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852. LUCY[8] (BLISH) WHITE.

(John, Jr.,[7] John,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LUCY,[8] dtr. of John,[7] (473) and Mary (Stafford) Blish, was b. 12 June, 1846, at Vassalboro, Maine. She m. 30 Oct. 1869, at China, Maine, Henry W., s. of William and Julia Ann (Goddard) White. He was b. 24 Nov. 1848, at Vassalboro.

CHILDREN.

1175. EMMA L.[9] WHITE, b. 25 Jany. 1873, at Vassalboro, Me. d. 24 Sept. 1890, at Auburn, Me.
1176. MARY A.[9] WHITE, b. 24 Dec. 1874, at Vassalboro.
1177. CARL M.[9] WHITE, b. 17 Aug. 1879.
1178. HALE M.[9] WHITE, b. 5 Jany. 1881, at Vassalboro, d. 17 Sept. 1890, at Auburn, Me.

Lucy[8] Blish White received an academic education and was a very apt scholar. Spent a year in travel, after graduation. After her marriage she became very domestic and is entirely devoted to her family. She has lived at Vassalboro, Skowhegan and Auburn, Me. Her brightness and vivacity make her a universal favorite.

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853. GEORGE[8] BLISH.

(John, Jr.,[7] John,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GEORGE,[8] s. of John,[7] (473) and Mary (Stafford) Blish, was b. 4 Nov. 1847, at E. Vassalboro, Me. He m. 5 Apr. 1871, at Skowhegan, Me., Mary Ellen, dtr. of John M. and Betsy S. (Johnson) Nash. She was b. 4 Feby. 1845, at Hallowell, Me.

CHILDREN.

1179. NELLIE EUGENIE,[9] b. 4 May, 1873, at Chelsea, Mass.
1180. LIZZIE ADELIA,[9] b. 25 Aug. 1875, at Gardner, Me.

George[8] Blish received a good education and has traveled considerable in the United States. He is a mason and plasterer and also a baker by trade, and has done well at all of them. He is now in the bakery business.

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854. ARTHUR[8] BLISH.

(John, Jr.,[7] John,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ARTHUR,[8] s. of John,[7] (473) and Mary (Stafford) Blish, was b. 18 Oct. 1853, at E. Vassalboro, Me. He m. 3 May, 1879, at Arlington, Mass., Ella F., dtr. of Eben P. and Emma R. (Runnels) Goddard. She was b. 2 Jany. 1859, at S. Vassalboro, Me.

CHILDREN.

1181. INA M.[9] b. 4 Dec. 1880, at Getchell's Corner, Vassalboro.
1182. ETHEL M.[9] b. 6 Oct. 1883.

Arthur[8] Blish is a mason by trade, but has a farm at Getchell's Corner, where he farms and raises fruit, and also at times works at his trade. Was schooled at Oak Grove seminary, Vassalboro, Maine.

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857. JOHN ARTHUR[8] BLISH.

(Samuel,[7] John,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN ARTHUR,[8] s. of Capt. Samuel,[7] (474) and Mary Harris (Calder) Blish, was b. 3 June, 1849. He m. 13 Mar. 1872, at E. Vassalboro, Me., Jennie Emma, dtr. of John and Hester (Trembly) Brown. She was b. 27 Dec. 1851, in New York City.

CHILDREN.

1183. ELSIE B.[9] b. 3 July, 1873.
1184. EDWARD A.[9] b. 25 Feby. 1875. d. .....
1185. ALFRED A.[9] b. 10 June, 1876.
1186. SAMUEL F.[9] b. 28 June, 1878. d. .....
1187. HESTER C.[9] b. 14 June, 1883.

John Arthur[8] Blish is an architect at New Brunswick, N. J., and has followed that calling for twenty years.

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858. CAROLINE AGRY[8] (BLISH) THOMPSON.

(Byron Samuel,[7] James,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CAROLINE AGRY,[8] dtr. of Byron Samuel,[7] (485) and Annie (Morris) Blish, was b. 7 Jany. 1856. She m. 14 June, 1876, Hon. Geo. Lee Thompson.

CHILDREN.

1188. JOHN WHALEN[9] THOMPSON, b. 16 June, 1877.
1189. ANNIE AUGUSTA[9] THOMPSON, b. 12 Aug. 1879.
1190. GEORGE LEE[9] THOMPSON, Jr. b. 26 Nov. 1881.

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860. ANNA MORRIS[8] (BLISH) HELLYER.

(Byron Samuel,[7] James,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ANNIE MORRIS,[8] dtr. of Byron Samuel,[7] (485) and Annie (Morris) Blish, was b. 27 Feby. 1860. She m. 5 Mar. 1885, Thomas Waterman Hellyer.

CHILDREN.

I. MORRIS[9] HELLYER, b. 6 Mar. 1886, d. 21 Oct. 1890.
II. LAWRENCE[9] HELLYER, b. 27 Feby. 1893.
III. MARJORIE[9] HELLYER, b. 26 June, 1896.

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863. ANSEL GRANVILLE[8] COOK.

(Harriet Ann Hoit,[7] William,[6] Stacy,[5] John,[4] Reuben,[3] Joseph.[2] Abraham.[1])

ANSEL GRANVILLE,[8] s. of Capt. William and Harriet Ann Hoit[7] (Blish) Cook, was b. 18 Apr. 1862, at Glasgow, Scot-

land. He m. 30 June, 1891, at Framingham, Mass., Anna Huntington, dtr. of Charles and Ellen Louisa (Hayward) Richardson. She was b. 13 June, 1861, at Framingham, Mass.

CHILDREN.

1191. KATHARINE CARY[9] COOK, b. 21 Aug. 1894, at Hartford, Conn.
1192. ELLEN RICHARDSON[9] COOK, b. 16 Nov. 1896.
1193. HARRIET HUNTINGTON[9] COOK, b. 31 Mar. 1897.

Ansel Granville[8] Cook was educated at Mitchell's School for boys, at West Tisbury, Mass., and the Friends Academy, New Bedford, Mass. He graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City, in 1887. After serving as house doctor at the Hartford Hospital and taking some special surgical courses in New York, he began the practice of medicine in Hartford, Conn., in 1889, and was appointed on the staff of the Hartford Hospital. Later he dropped general practice in order to devote himself exclusively to surgery, for which he has a special talent. He is visiting surgeon to the Hartford Hospital and a member of several medical societies, notably of the American Orthopedic Association, the Conn. State Medical Society, and others, and is Asst. Surgeon to the 1st Company of the Governor's Foot Guard. Personally Dr. Cook is tall, with large dark eyes, frank and simple in his manner, rather slow of speech, but with a keen sense of humor and a capital story teller. He occupies a prominent position in the surgical world in his state.

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879. ERNEST LUVERNE[8] BLISH.

(William Lorin,[7] Elisha,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ERNEST LUVERNE,[8] s. of William Lorin (512) and Jane (Smith) Blish, was b. 30 Jany. 1878, at Willimantic, Conn. He m. 14 Sept. 1899, Martha Ery, dtr. of Fred H. and Sarah Brown. She was b. 3 May, 1877, at Westley, R. I.

CHILDREN.

1347. ELIZABETH BELL,[9] b. 11 July, 1900, at Williamantic, Conn.
1348. EDNA IRIAN,[9] b. 3 Feby. 1903, d. 28 July, 1903.
1349. HELEN INEZ,[9] b. 31 Jany. 1904.

881. DWIGHT FRANK[8] BLISH.

(Henry Francis,[7] Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DWIGHT FRANK,[8] s. of Henry Francis,[7] (513) and Sarah (Freeman) Blish, was b. 7 May, 1847, at Willimantic, Conn. He m. ..... 1871, at Willimantic, Wilhelmine, dtr. of Philip and Philopena (Adams) Graff. She was b. 5 June, 1849, in Germany.

CHILDREN.

1194. +FRANK DWIGHT,[9] b. 9 Aug. 1872, at Willimantic, Conn.
1195. HARRY GRAFF,[9] b. 25 Nov. 1881.

Dwight Frank[8] Blish attended school at Willimantic and finished at Greenwich, R. I. Also took a course at the Commercial College at Hartford. He then took a place with his father, where he remained during his father's life, and succeeded to the business, which he still follows.

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883. HATTIE ESTELLA[8] (BLISH) YOUNG.

(John Lester,[7] Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HATTIE ESTELLA,[8] dtr. of John Lester,[7] (515) and Maria (Mayor) Blish, was b. 2 Apr. 1865, at Stafford Springs, Conn. She m. 26 June, 1888, at Willimantic, Conn., Frederic, s. of Chipman and Hannah Maria[7] (Blish) Young. He was b. 9 Sept. 1861, at Windham, Conn.

CHILD.

1196. LAURA ESTELLA[9] YOUNG, b. 20 July, 1892

Frederic Young, after leaving school, learned the machinist's trade, and followed it for some years. He then became superintendent of the electric light plant, in Willimantic, a very responsible position.

921. CHARLES JEROME[8] BLUSH.

(Jerome Pitkin,[7] Oliver,[6] Amasa,[5] Joseph,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES JEROME,[8] s. of Jerome Pitkin,[7] (581) and Angeline (Lathrop) Blush, was b. 3 Aug. 1854, at Middlefield, Mass. He m. 20 Jany. 1883, at Middlefield, Kate Dwyer, dtr. of John and Eliza Morrison. She was b. .....

CHILDREN.

1197. ARTHUR ROY,[9] b. 4 Dec. 1883, at Middlefield.
1198. MARY OPHELIA,[9] b. 26 Jany. 1885.
1199. JULIA ETTA,[9] b. 27 Apr. 1887.
1200. LENA ELIZABETH,[9] b. 18 Apr. 1891.

Reference —*Middlefield, Mass. Tn. Rec.*

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926. MARTHA REBECCA[8] (NEWELL) BOYNTON.

(Mary Wilcox,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARTHA REBECCA,[8] dtr. of Daniel B. and Mary Wilcox[7] (Blish) Newell, was b. 13 June, 1832, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 17 May, 1857, John S., s. of John Boynton, formerly of Weathersfield, Vermont.

CHILDREN.

1201. LETTIE[9] BOYNTON, b. 29 July, 1858, at Peru, N. Y.
1202. LUCY[9] BOYNTON, b. 3 Mar. 1861. d. ..... Sept. 1862.
1203. JOHN S.[9] BOYNTON, b. 6 Mar. 1863, at Jay, N. Y. d. .....
1204. ABRAHAM LINCOLN[9] BOYNTON, b. 3 May, 1865, at Peru, N. Y.
1205. DANIEL NEWELL[9] BOYNTON, b. 16 Dec. 1867, at Jay, N. Y.
1206. MOLLIE N.[9] BOYNTON, b. 24 May, 1870.
1207. BEULAH L.[9] BOYNTON, b. 24 Apr. 1873.

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928. BEULAH BLISH[8] (NEWELL) BULL.

(Mary Wilcox,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BEULAH BLISH,[8] dtr. of Daniel B. and Mary Wilcox[7] (Blish) Newell, was b. 12 Apr. 1836, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 17 May, 1860, Benjamin S. Bull.

CHILDREN.

1208. IRVING J.[9] BULL, b. 30 July, 1861, at Minneapolis, Minn.
1209. MARY NEWELL[9] BULL, b. ..... Nov. 1864.
1210. BENJAMIN[9] BULL, b. ..... June, 1869.

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933. DAVID[8] BLISH.

(Daniel,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID,[8] s. of Daniel,[7] (613) and Mary Houghton (Bruce) Blish, was b. 8 Apr. 1841, at Jay, Essex county, N. Y. He m. 15 Mar. 1863, at Jay, Elizabeth, dtr. of William and Mary Ann (Lewis) Hickok. She was b. 23 May, 1843, at Wilmington, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1216.+DANIEL WILLIAM,[9] b. 2 Jany. 1867, at Appleton, Wis.
1217.+ERNEST,[9] b. 2 Nov. 1877, at Poygan, near Omro, Wis.

David[8] Blish went to school at Jay, and also attended the Keesville Academy, N. Y., and the Academy in Chester, Vermont. He taught school at Jay, N. Y. and at Appleton and Poygan, Wisconsin. He was in the sash and door business at Appleton and at Omro and Poygan, twenty-nine years in all. He was six years in the Government employ at Poygan. He removed to Englewood, Ills., in 1891, and opened a flour and feed store, and still continues in the same business. He was deacon of the First Baptist church in Appleton, Wis., and Town Clerk at Poygan. His wife, Elizabeth (Hickok) Blish, taught school at Wilmington, Jay and Black Brook, N. Y., and at Poygan, Wis. She was also post-mistress at Poygan six years. David Blish has been a member of the I. O. O. F. since 1865, and his wife is a Rebecca.

LILLIAN MARTHA (BLISH) PURMORT.

935. LILLIAN MARTHA[8] (BLISH) PURMORT.

(Daniel,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LILLIAN MARTHA,[8] dtr. of Daniel,[7] (613) and Mary Houghton (Bruce) Blish, was b. 13 Feby. 1849, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 12 Nov. 1867, at Jay, N. Y., Henry C., s. of Adoniram J. and Amanda B. (Jordan) Purmort. He was b. 15 Dec. 1845, at Jay.

CHILD.

1218. EUGENE H.[9] PURMORT, b. 13 July, 1872, at Chicago, Ill. d. 15 July, 1872.

Lillian Martha[8] Blish was educated in the State Normal School, at Albany, N. Y. and taught two terms at Jay, before her marriage, which occurred at the age of eighteen, in the same house in which her father was born. She is State Regent of the United States Daughters of 1812, and a member of the Society of Mayflower descendents, Daughters of the American Revolution, and other organizations and an enthusiastic genealogist and historian. She is also interested in many local charities and other good works in Chicago and is a tireless worker.

Henry C. Purmort finished his education at the Fairfax Seminary, Vt., and later graduated from Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in Mar. 1863. After clerking for a time, he entered the office of Jay Gould at Rutland, Vt., where he gained considerable experience. Coming to Chicago, he worked for some time in the office of the C., B. & Q. R. R. In 1867 he went into the lumber business for T. W.Harvey, and later was with Palmer, Fuller & Co. In 1880 he started in the same business on his own account, and has been very successful.

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936. FRANK DANIEL[8] BLISH.

(Daniel,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FRANK DANIEL,[8] s. of Daniel[7] (613) and Mary Houghton (Bruce) Blish, was b. 30 June, 1852, at Jay, N. Y. He married 5 Dec. 1878, at Chicago, Ills., Alice Margaret, dtr. of George P. and Christine (Buck) Bay. She was b. 14 Feby. 1858, at Chicago, Ills.

CHILDREN.

1219. BEULAH BAY,[9] b. 7 Mar. 1880, at Englewood, Ills.
1220. PHILIP EUGENE,[9] b. 9 July, 1881.
1221. ALICE FRANC,[9] b. 7 June, 1891.

Frank Daniel[8] Blish went to school in Jay, N. Y., and finished his schooling at Poughkeepsie. He is very literary in his tastes and has been a contributor to several magazines and papers, notably the Chicago Tribune, Chicago Journal, the Leaf, the Humane Journal, the Current, and others. He was for many years the editor of the Dickens Club Review, published at Englewood. He is a great reader and has never let his other work interfere with his interest in books and literature. His poems possess great merit and are worthy of preservation. His occupation has been that of book-keeper, collector and manager with Peter Devine's Boiler Works, for over twenty years, until the death of the head of the firm, when we bought the machinery and continued the business until 1898. For several years he has been in the real estate business. His wife, Alice, is a graduate of the Englewood High School, and both are members of the Acorn Club, and Dickens Club, of Englewood.

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937. MARY EMOGENE[8] (JONES) BULL.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY EMOGENE,[8] dtr. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 2 Oct. 1843, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 29 June, 1862, at Jay, Seth James, s. of Benjamim and Sally (Johnson) Bull. He was b 22 Oct. 1833, at Jay, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1222. CORA ALICE[9] BULL, b. 30 May, 1864, at Jay, N. Y.
1223. MARY EUGENIA[9] BULL, b. 21 Feby. 1867.
1224. BENJAMIN ROBERT[9] BULL, b. 16 June, 1869.
1225. PIERPONT[9] BULL, b. 30 Mar. 1876.
1226. HARRY[9] BULL, b. 5 Aug. 1882.

Seth James Bull is a farmer and has held many local offices in his town.

HENRY C. PURMORT.

939. DANIEL BLISH[8] JONES.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL BLISH,[8] s. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 7 Nov 1846, at Jay N. Y. He m. 24 Feby. 1878, at Plattsburg, N. Y. Elizabeth, dtr. of Michael and Jane (Devine) Cunningham. She was b. 26 Feby. 1852, at Jay. They have no children. Daniel Blish Jones grew to manhood on his father's farm. In the fall of 1870 he went to Minneapolis, Minn., and remained two years. In the spring of 1872 he went to St. Mary's Co., Maryland, under a contract with a railroad company. In the spring of 1879 he returned to Minneapolis, where he has since resided.

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940. MARGARET ELECTA[8] (JONES) THOMPSON.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARGARET ELECTA,[8] dtr. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 7 July, 1848, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 15 May, 1872, at Jay, William Casper, s. of William and Adele (Wolfe) Thompson. He was b. 10 Sept. 1845, at Lewis, Esex Co. N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1227. WILLIAM LaRHETT[9] THOMPSON, b. 18 June, 1881, at Minneapolis, Minn.
1228. SHIRLEY PIERPONT[9] THOMPSON, b. 9 June, 1892.

William Casper Thompson was raised on his father's farm and attended the local schools. In the fall of 1867 he began working at the watchmaker's and jeweler's trade, at Greenwich, N. Y. He followed this for fifteen years, the greater part of the time being located at Port Henry, N. Y. In the fall of 1878 he removed to Minneapolis, Minn., where he still resides. Since 1881 he has been engaged in electrical work, being the senior member of the Minneapolis Electrical & Construction Company. On his mother's side he is of German descent, his great grandfather,

Caspar Wolfe, came over with the Hessians to aid the British in the Revolutionary War, and was a cousin of General Wolfe. His grand father, James Wolfe, served in the American army in the war of 1812.

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941. LYDIA MINERVA[8] (JONES) CAMPBELL.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LYDIA MINERVA,[8] dtr. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 7 July, 1850, at Jay, N. Y. She m. 25 June, 1873, at Jay, Rev. Woodley Williamson, s. of John and Sally (Bush) Campbell. He was b. 31 July, 1843, at Busti, Chautauqua Co., N. Y.

CHILD.

An infant son, unnamed, b. 8 Apr. 1881, at Secunderabad, Deccan, India, and d. 12 Apr. 1881.

Woodley Williamson Campbell grew to manhood on his father's farm at Busti, N. Y. During the latter part of the civil war he was connected with the Christian Commission, and for a short time taught a school for colored people in North Carolina. Subsecquently he spent seven years at Hamilton, N. Y., and graduated from both the collegiate and theological departments of Colgate University. After his marriage, in 1873, he and his wife went to the Telegu Mission, in southern India. After some time, spent in acquiring the language, they settled at Secunderbad, and opened a new work. This was in the Nizam's domains, with about 400,000 subjects. all Mohammedans or Hindus. For seven years they worked faithfully and untiringly, sowing the seed of the Gospel of Christ, when Mrs. Campbell's health failed and they were obliged to return to America. Mr. Campbell remained a year, and then returned to his work in India. For six years more he labored unceasingly, in his chosen field, to the great detriment of his health. Undue exposure and the effect of the climate brought on disease from which he never recovered. He returned in 1888, and two years were spent in efforts to recover his health, with only partial success. In 1890 he accepted the pastorate of the Baptist church at Waverly, Iowa, and served

REV. ELIJAH BROWN JONES.

them two years. He then went to Cedar Falls, Iowa, for medical treatment, but gradually grew worse and died there 2 Nov. 1893. Since his death Mrs. Campbell has devoted herself to the missionary cause, lecturing and soliciting aid. In this work she has traveled extensively over the United States, and her knowledge of the people of India, with the large collection of Indian dresses, jewelry, idols and other curios, which she uses, make her lectures both instructive and interesting. She is still engaged in this work.

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942. ELIJAH BROWN[8] JONES.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ELIJAH BROWN,[8] s. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 22 Mar. 1852, at Jay, N. Y. He m. 19 Apr., 1881, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Emma Caroline, dtr. of W. H. and Justine (Morgan) Bjorkman. She was b. 15 Aug., 1855, in New York.

CHILD.

1229. JUSTINE BEULAH[9] JONES, b. 6 Feby. 1892, at Brewster, N. Y.

Elijah Brown Jones graduated from Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y., in June, 1877. He was ordained in the Baptist Ministry, at Ticonderoga, N. Y., 20 Dec., 1877, as pastor at that place. Has had pastorates also at Brewster, N. Y., Cincinnati, Toledo, and Newark, Ohio. Has been a member of the Board of School Examiners, at Newark, and for three years recording Secretary of the Ohio Baptist convention. He was later located at Owatonna, Minn., as pastor of the Baptist church. Is a fluent speaker and is frequently called upon for memorial sermons by the G. A. R., and other addresses. Is also a lecturer of considerable repute, and his lectures, "Light and Shade," "The People We Meet," "The Literature of the Dust," and "John Brown and His Work," are highly spoken of.

943. NATHAN HENRY[8] JONES.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

NATHAN HENRY,[8] s. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 1 Dec., 1854, at Jay, N. Y. He m. 24 Feby., at Granville, N. Y., Ida Louise, dtr. of Augustus and Lydia (Palmer) Dekalb. She was b. 9 Oct. 1855, at Granville.

CHILDREN.

1230. LYDIA BEULAH INDEPENDENCE[9] JONES, b. 4 July, 1876, at Granville, N. Y.
1231. JENNIE LOUISE[9] JONES, b. 1 Apr. 1889, at Plattsburgh, N. Y.

Nathan Henry Jones has followed the jeweler's trade since arriving at manhood, and was for twelve years connected with the business of William Reed at Plattsburgh, N. Y. Upon the death of Mr. Reed, in 1897, the entire care and management of the business fell upon Mr. Jones and he conducted it for three years, first for the benefit of the widow and at her death he closed it out for the heirs. He is now in business for himself at Middle Granville, N. Y., near which he owns a farm, on which he resides, going daily to the Village to attend to his business. He was a charter member of the Sons of 1812 in New York, a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendents and an enthusiastic genealogist and family historian. He was a member of the official board of the M. E. church in Plattsburgh for fourteen years, and served as recording steward for twelve years. He is also a Mason of prominence and a member of Oriental Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Troy, N. Y. He has taken great pains to give his daughters the benefit of a good education, and his oldest daughter, Lydia, taught in the schools of Tarrytown, N. Y., and is now teaching in the State Normal School at Geneseo, N. Y.

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944. BEULAH BLISH[8] (JONES) TOMLINSON.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

BEULAH BLISH,[8] dtr. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7]

LYDIA M. (JONES) CAMPBELL. BEULAH B. (JONES) TOMLINSON.

BEULAH (BLISH) JONES.

GILMAN MACK JONES. NATHAN HENRY JONES.

(Blish) Jones, was b. 18 Jany., 1857, at Jay, N. Y.. She m. 3 Nov., 1880, at Jay, Daniel, s. of Daniel and Eliza (Kerr) Tomlinson. He was b. 11 June, 1852, at Willsborough, Essex Co., N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1232. EDWARD DANIEL BLISH[9] TOMLINSON, b. 26 Sept. 1885, at Willsborough, N. Y.
1233. RALPH WALDO[9] TOMLINSON, b. 21 May, 1887.
1234. WILLIAM GILMAN[9] TOMLINSON, b. 25 Aug. 1890.

Daniel Tomlinson has followed teaching for many years. He has been principal of several schools in Essex Co., N. Y., and at Bloomington, Nebraska.

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945. GILMAN MACK[8] JONES.

(Beulah,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GILMAN MACK,[8] s. of Pierpont Edwards and Beulah[7] (Blish) Jones, was b. 6 Oct., 1862, at Jay, N. Y. He m. 25 Dec., 1889, at the Taylor St. Methodist church, in Minneapolis, Minn., Nellie Morton, dtr. of Thomas and Elizabeth (Valentine) McKay. She was b. 16 July, 1871, at Minneapolis, Minn.

CHILDREN.

1235. LAURENCE GILMAN[9] JONES, b. 7 Feby. 1892, at Minneapolis, Minn.
1236. RALPH THOMAS[9] JONES, b. 22 Oct. 1893.

Gilman Mack Jones atended school at Jay, with one year at the Lawrenceville Academy. In the fall of 1862 he went to Minneapolis, Minn., and shortly afterwards entered the employ of the Brush Electrical Co. Two years later, he, with his brother-in-law, W. C. Thompson, and L. L. Sanford, formed the Minneapolis Electrical & Construction Co., doing general electrical business and carrying electrical supplies. He is still engaged in this business.

946. WILLIAM GILBERT[8] BLISH.

(Daniel,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM GILBERT,[8] s. of Daniel[7] (621) and Julia Ann (Gilbert) Blish, was b. 26 Oct., 1842, in Silver Creek Tp. Cass Co. Mich. He m. 16 Dec., 1865, at Dowagiac, Mich., Mary E., dtr. of Elijah and Nancy (Willet) Godfrey She was b. 29 Dec. 1843, in Kent Co., Mich.

The early years of William Glibert[7] Blish were spent on the farm where he was born. He taught school for a time and also learned the machinist's trade. In deference to his father's wishes, after his marriage, he settled on a farm, but his dislike of farming and his fondness for mechanical pursuits, caused him to quit farming after two years, and he moved to Buchanan, Mich., to work at the machinist's trade. He remained there until the spring of 1873, when he moved to Niles, Mich., where he has since resided, there taking up the watchmaker's and jeweler's trade. He has not confined himself, however, to his chosen occupation, and has been for a number of years a member of the American Microscopical Society, and since 1884 a member of both the American and British Associations for the Advancement of Science. He is a hater of humbugs and superstitions, and especially active in combatting spiritualism and clairvoyance and is an agnostic in religion. He has held many local offices, such as member of the school board and board of public works in Niles, but has always declined political nominations.

Mary E. (Godfrey) Blish, losing her father at the age of eleven, early developed self reliance, and at the age of *fourteen* began teaching a district school. Later she learned the milliner's trade, working for her board and spending the day in the store. She was an indefatigable worker, rising early and retiring late. For one year and a half after her marriage she lived on the farm, after which she again engaged in the millinery business, until failing health compelled her to give it up. She was of a kind and sympathetic disposition, abhoring quarrels or contentions of any kind. An invalid for twelve years, she endured it patiently and calmly planned for the inevitable. She died 30 Apr., 1899, at Niles, Mich.

947. EMILY[8] (BLISH) COREY.

(Daniel,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EMILY,[8] dtr. of Daniel[7] (621) and Julia Ann (Gilbert) Blish, was b. 27 Aug., 1846, in Silver Creek Tp. Cass Co., Mich. She m. 26 Sept., 1869, Charles, s. of Marcena and Lucinda (Hardy) Corey. He was b. 23 June, 1847, at Springfield, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1237. GEORGE D.[9] COREY, b. 8 Jany. 1872, in Sliver Creek Township. m. June, 1897, *Jennie Stafford*, and has one child. Is in the employ of the Michigan Central R. R.
1238. WILLIAM M.[9] COREY, b. 9 Sept. 1874.

Emily[8] Blish lived at home until she was married, excepting three years spent in the schools of Niles and Dowagiac. After her marriage she and her husband lived on the farm with her husband's parents. They remained there until 1887, when they moved to Dowagiac. She and her husband are prominent members of the Methodist church of Dowagiac.

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948. DAVID[8] BLISH.

(Daniel,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DAVID,[8] s. of Daniel[7] (621) and Julia Ann (Gilbert) Blish, was b. 14 Sept. 1853, in Silver Creek Tp. Cass Co. Mich. He m. 18 Sept. 1873, in Wayne Tp. Cass Co. Mich., Sarah, dtr. of George and Jane (Allen) Whitbeck. She was b. 17 Dec., 1853, in Wayne Township.

CHILDREN.

1239. IVA M.[9] b. 12 Feby. 1875, in Silver Creek Twp. She m. 23 Feby. 1898, *W. H. Fee*, of Chicago.
1240. HARRY D.[9] b. 21 Oct. 1880.
1241. FANNY,[9] b. 21 Feby. 1887, at Dowagiac, Mich.

David Blish's early life was spent on the farm and in school. He finished his education in the high school at Buchanan, Mich. After his marriage he continued at farming, until the fall of 1881, and in the following spring moved to Dowagiac and engaged in the hardware business, in which he remained ten years. In the

spring of 1893 he returned to the old homestead, which had been deeded to him, with the request that it should remain in the family name. Five years later he removed near Dowagiac to secure greater school privileges for his children. His oldest daughter, Iva, went from the high school at Dowagiac to the College at Benton Harbor, Mich., and from there to the Art Institute, in Chicago.

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949. FRANK[8] BLISH.

(Daniel,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FRANK,[8] s. of Daniel[7] (621) and Julia Ann (Gilbert) Blish, was b. 18 Sept., 1862, in Silver Creek Tp., Cass Co., Mich. He m. 3 June, 1885, at Buffalo, N. Dakota, Alberta, dtr. of Jacob and Amelia (Beadell) Waldorf. She was b. 4 Nov., 1866, at Dickinson's Landing, Ontario, Canada.

CHILDREN.

1242. HELEN VERNA,[9] b. 11 June, 1887, at Buffalo, N. Dakota.
1243. HERBERT FRANKLIN,[9] b. 23 Nov. 1889.
1244. EMMA MAY,[9] b. 11 Nov. 1892, at Fargo, N. Dakota.

Frank[8] Blish followed farming most of his life. He went to Buffalo, N. Dakota, in the spring of 1880, and bought a farm in 1881, and worked it for eleven years, and then rented it and moved to Fargo, and later to Enderlin. He died of typhoid fever, 11 Dec., 1899, at Lisbon, N. Dakota, and is buried at Dowagiac, Mich.

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950. ROBERT IRWIN[8] BLISH.

(David,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ROBERT IRWIN,[8] s. of David[7] (622) and Adaline S. (Irwin) Blish, was b. 23 Aug., 1841, at Green Bay, Wis. He m. 24 July, 1868, at St. Louis, Mo., Lillian Clara Little.

CHILDREN.

1245. CHARLES MUNGER,[9] b. 15 Apr. 1869, at Salem, Ills.
1246. WILLIAM IRWIN,[9] b. 28 Nov. 1876, at St. Louis, Mo.

Robert Irwin Blish d. 25 Feby., 1879, at St. Louis, Mo.

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957. CAROLINE AUGUSTA[8] (CARPENTER) WOOD.

(Mary Jane,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CAROLINE AUGUSTA,[8] dtr. of Dr. John Fuller and Mary Jane[7] (Blish) Carpenter, was b. 22 June, 1845, at Lawrenceville, N. Y. She m. 5 May, 1870, at Whitehall, N. Y., Warren Corbin, s. of Elijah and Phebe (Corbin) Wood. He was b. 2 Nov., 1837, at Brasher, N. Y.

They have no family.

Caroline Augusta[8] Carpenter attended school in the old Lawrenceville Academy, and taught school for four years before her marriage.

Dr. Warren Corbin Wood took the degree of A. B. at Middlebury Colege, Vt., in 1865, and that of M. D. at the Massashusetts Medical College. He practiced medicine for eleven years at Brasher Falls, N. Y., and since in Niagara Co. N. Y., mostly in Lockport.

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960. DR. FRANK BLISH[8] CARPENTER.

(Emily,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FRANK BLISH,[8] s. of Dr. John Fuller and Emily[7] (Blish) Carpenter, was b. 15 Sept., 1853, at Lawrenceville, N. Y. He m. 14 Oct. 1902, in New York City, Kate Christine, dtr. of Amzi Lewis Camp.

Frank Blish[8] Carpenter graduated from Williams College in 1878, with the degree of A. B., and graduated from the New York University Medical College in 1881. From the spring of 1881 until the fall of 1882 he was interne in the City Hospital in New York. From 1883 to 1895 he was lecturer in Dermatology at the New York Post Graduate Medical School, and is Dermatologist to the DeMill Dispensary and the N. Y. Episcopal Orphan's Home. He is a member of the N. Y. State Medical Society, City Hospital Alumni Society, and the N. Y. Congrega-

tional Club. He was one of the organizers of the N. Y. Medical Alliance for the scientific study of the effect of alcohol in health and disease, and is an opponent of all alcoholic stimulants. His standing in his profession is deservedly high.

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961. CHARLES DAVID[8] CARPENTER.

(Emily,[7] David,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES DIVID,[8] s. of Dr. John Fuller and Emily[7] (Blish) Carpenter, was b. 7 Sept. 1856, at Lawrenceville, N. Y. He m. 19 Oct. 1881, at Everett, Newago Co., Mich., Eva Janett, dtr. of Howard W. and Janett (Van Syckle) Wiltse. She was b. 14 May 1857, at Croton, Mich.

CHILDREN.

1247. HOWARD WILTSE[9] CARPENTER. b. 10 Jany. 1886, at Big Rapids, Mich.
1248. GLENN BLISH[9] CARPENTER, b. 31 Mar. 1888.

Charles David[8] Carpenter attended the Lawrenceville, N. Y. Academy, and prepared himself for a civil engineer and then taught school for two winters. He came to Michigan when he was eighteen years of age and in 1879 engaged in mercantile business, which he has continued with success. He has been one of the leaders in the development of the business interests of Big Rapids. Was six years president of the Big Rapids Development company; also president of the Falcon Mfg. Company for several years, and vice-president of the Board of Trade of Big Rapids, and many other positions of trust. While in New York City in Sept. 1898, he received a telegram from the Governor of Michigan to the Secretary of War, by which he was enabled to give substantial assistance to the 33rd and 34th Regiments of Michigan troops on their return from Cuba, for which service he received letters of thanks and acknowledgement from the Governor.

968. MEEDY SHIELDS[8] BLISH.

(John Hedding,[7] John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MEEDY SHIELDS,[8] s. of John Hedding[7] (641) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 14 Dec. 1855, at Seymour, Ind. He m. 26 May, 1897, Belle, dtr. of Lyman and Mary (Dickinson) Everingham. She was b. 2 June, 1871, at Milwaukee, Wis.

CHILDREN.

1249. JOHN LYMAN,[9] b. 27 Jany. 1901, at Seymour, Ind.
1250. MEEDY W. SHIELDS,[9] b. 6 Nov. 1902.

Meedy Shields[8] Blish is at the head of the Blish Milling Company, at Seymour, Ind. He is also President of the Indiana Millers' Insurance Association, with which he has been connected for many years.

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969. EMMA MERAB[8] (BLISH) THOMPSON.

(John Hedding,[7] John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EMMA MERAB,[8] dtr. of John Hedding,[7] (641) and Merab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 1 June, 1858, at Seymour, Ind. She m. 11 May, 1881, Elbridge Gerry, s. of James and Mary Elizabeth Thompson. He was b. 25 Mar. 1853, at Frederickton, New Brunswick.

CHILDREN.

1251. ELBRIDGE BLISH[9] THOMPSON, b. 2 Aug. 1882, at Seymour, Ind.
1252. MARGUERITE DICKINSON[9] THOMPSON, b. 5 June, 1887.

Elbridge Gerry Thompson d. 11 July, 1889.

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971. LUCY SHIELDS[8] (BLISH) HUMBERT.

(John Hedding,[7] John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

LUCY SHIELDS,[8] dtr. of John Hedding[7] (641) and Me-

rab Ann (Wales) Blish, was b. 8 Oct. 1862, at Seymour, Ind. She m. 14 Nov. 1888, William Carr, s. of Edward C. and Ellen Humbert. He was b. 1 June, 1858, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

CHILD.

1253. JOHN[9] HUMBERT, b. 2 Feby. 1890, at Seymour, Ind.

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973. ALBERT ELIJAH[8] BLISH.

(Elijah Hedding,[7] John,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[1] Abraham.[1])

ELBERT ELIJAH,[8] s. of Elijah Hedding[7] (643) and Mary (Smith) Blish, was b. 20 Dec. 1863, at Franklin, N. H. He m. 4 Oct. 1885, at Janesville, Wis., Annie, dtr. of Abraham and Hannah Tifft. She was b. 27 May, 1859, at Janesville, Wis.

CHILDREN.

1254. MARY PEARL,[9] b. 14 Aug. 1886, at Johnstown Centre, Rock Co., Wis.
1255. HARRY BENJAMIN HARRISON,[9] b. 31 Oct. 1888, at Janesville, Wis.
1256. CLARA HAZEL,[9] b. 28 May, 1890. d. 7 Jany. 1894.
1257. IDA MYRTLE,[9] b. 17 Apr. 1891.

Albert Elijah[8] Blish, after the death of his mother, lived with a man named Levi Knepper, and went to school for about three years. Then worked on a farm summers and went to school winters. After his marriage he went to work for the Janesville Gas company and remained there three years; then learned the mason's trade, which he has followed ever since, and is now taking contracts for such work, in partnership, the firm name being Blish & Brown.

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979. TIMOTHY HUBBARD[8] BLISH.

(Timothy Austin,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

TIMOTHY HUBBARD,[8] s. of Timothy Austin[7] (651) and Eleanor Maria (Hills) Blish, was b. 18 June, 1833, at So. Man-

chester, Conn. He was m. 30 Sept. 1856, at Eastbury, Conn. by the Rev. Aaron Snow, to Harriet J. Strickland.

CHILDREN.

1258. CARRIE JANE,[9] b. 28 Aug. 1866, at Eastbury.
1259. SHERMAN H.[9] b. 28 May, 1868.d. 24 July, 1870.

Timothy Hubbard[8] Blish has been a farmer all of his life and still occupies the old homestead of his father in East Glastonbury, Conn. He enlisted in the Union forces in the civil war, 14 Aug. 1862, in Co. A, 21st Conn. Vols. He was captured by the Confederates 16 May, 1864, at Drewry's Bluff, Vir.; was paroled 6 Dec. 1864 and discharged 10 June, 1865.

References—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec., Eastbury, Conn. Ch. Rec. and Conn. Men in the Rebellion.*

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980. PRUDENCE CORNELIA[8] (BLISH) ANDREWS.

(David Dwight,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

PRUDENCE CORNELIA,[8] dtr. of David Dwight[7] (652) and Fanny Cornelia (Goslee) Blish, was b. 23 Apr. 1839, at E. Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 23 Sept. 1857, George C., s. of Chauncey and Electa (Hunt) Andrews. He was b. 22 May, 1834, at Glastonbury.

CHILDREN.

1260. CHAUNCEY BLISH[9] ANDREWS, b. 19 Sept., 1861, at Glastonbury, Con.
1261. WALTER CONE[9] ANDREWS, b. 1 Jany. 1865.
1262. ALLEDO STRATTON[9] ANDREWS, b. 7 June, 1868.
1263. DWIGHT HUBBARD[9] ANDREWS, b. 7 Mar. 1877.

George C. Andrews was a farmer, in Glastonbury, Conn., until the spring of 1892, when he sold his farm and moved to Hartford and engaged in the grocery and market business, which he continued during the remainder of his life. He d. in Hartford, Conn., 9 June, 1900.

981. JOHN DWIGHT[8] BLISH.

(David Dwight,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN DWIGHT,[8] s. of David Dwight[7] (652) and Fanny Cornelia (Goslee) Blish, was b. 16 Apr. 1843, at Eastbury, Conn. He was m. 10 Nov. 1864, at Buckingham, Conn., by Rev. Israel Carlton, to Mary L., dtr. of Nathaniel Walker.

CHILDREN.

1264. CHARLES HUDSON,[9] b. 1 Oct. 1867. d. 25 Dec. 1867.
1265. DWIGHT WALKER,[9] b. 10 Feby. 1869. m. 13 Oct. 1894 at So. Manchester, Conn., Alice E. Chaffe.
1266. ALBERT DAVID,[9] b. 10 Nov. 1879.
1267. MARY CORNELIA,[9] b. 8 Dec. 1883.

Mary L. (Walker) Blish d. 23 May, 1886, and John Dwight Blish m. (2) 11 Nov. 1886, Florella Francenia, dtr. of David Perrin and Mary Elizabeth (Robbins) Porter. There is no issue of the second marriage.

John Dwight[8] Blish has been a farmer all of his life, though he has worked some at wagon-making. He lives near Buckingham P. O., in Glastonbury, Conn.

References.—*Glastonbury, Conn. Tn. Rec. and Eastbury Ch. Rec.*

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983. JOANNA AUGUSTA[8] (BLISH) COREY.

(David Dwight,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOANNA AUGUSTA,[8] dtr. of David Dwight[7] (652) and Fanny Cornelia (Goslee) Blish, was b. 20 Oct. 1850, at Eastbury, Conn. She m. 3 Nov. 1869, William Dallas, s. of William and Caroline (Wier) Corey. He was b. 10 Oct. 1845, at New London, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1268. FANNY CORNELIA[9] COREY, b. 19 Feby. 1871, at Eastbury, Conn. m. 27 Apr. 1892, *George Seymour Beckwith.*
1269. HARLAN WIER[9] COREY, b. 15 Jany. 1873. m. 5 Sept. 1898, *Mary D. Rau.* They have had one one child, George W. Corey, b. 26 Oct. 1900, and d. 22 July, 1901.

1270. JOSIE BLISH[8] COREY, b. 3 Dec. 1876. m. 15 June, 1898, *Samuel F. Fitch.* They have a little girl, Hazel C. Fitch, b. 22 Jany. 1900.

William Dallas Corey is a farmer and coal burner, and has also worked in the stockinet mills at Addison, Conn.

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984. RUSH HUBBARD[8] BLISH.

(Aaron Hubbard, Jr.,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

RUSH HUBBARD,[8] s. of Aaron Hubbard[7] (653) and Clara (Bingham) Blish, was b. 19 Oct. 1842, at Guilford, Conn. He m. ..... 1870, at Boston, Mass., Eliza, ...

CHILDREN.

1272. CARRIE,[9] b. 6 June, 1871, at Boston.
1273. HENRY A.[9] b. 19 Sept. 1874. He is m. and has worked for many years in the Faneuil Hall market in Boston.

Rush Hubbard[8] Blish was a printer and worked in Providence, R. I., Chicago, Ill., and Boston, Mass.

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987. HIRAM HUBBARD[8] BLISH.

(Hiram Hale,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HIRAM HUBBARD,[8] s. of Hiram Hale[7] (654) and Mary A. (Peck) Blish, was b. 7 Jany. 1842, at So. Manchester, Conn. He m. 3 Apr. 1865, at New London, Conn. Lena, dtr. of Rev. William H. and Sophia A. (Whittemore) Havens. She was b. 11 Oct. 1845, at New London, Conn.

CHILD.

1279. WILLIAM H.[9] b. Dec. 1865, at So. Manchester, Conn.

Hiram Hubbard[8] Blish, was a musician and leader of the Wheeler & Wilson band. He enlisted 18 April, 1861, as a musician, in Co. D, 1st Regt. Conn Vols. and was engaged for the regimental band. He was mustered out 31 July,

1861, and re-enlisted 4 Aug. 1861, from Manchester, Conn., in the band of the 14th Infty. Regulars. He was discharged 13 May, 1864. He was also a teacher of music on the piano and other instruments. He d. 19 Dec. 1871, at Bridgeport, Conn., of consumption, and is buried in Manchester.

Reference—*Conn. in the Rebellion.*

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989. TIMOTHY HALE[8] HODGE.

(Sarah Janett,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

TIMOTHY HALE,[8] s. of Elijah and Sarah Janett[7] (Blish) Hodge, was b. 12 July, 1842, at Glastonbury, Conn. He m. 14 June, 1886, at Eastbury, Conn., Maria Ellen, dtr. of Jeremiah Champion and Emily (Matson) Weir. She was b. 3 Feby. 1842, at East Glastonbury, Conn.

They have no children, but adopted a son, Kenneth Evans Hodge, b. 3 July, 1878, at Hartford, Conn.

Timothy Hale[8] Hodge received his education in the common schools of Wassuc. He served three years in the 21st Regt. of Conn. Vols. in the civil war. He has held many local offices in his town, and is highly respected.

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990. MARTHA ANN[8] (HODGE) HUNT.

(Sarah Janett,[7] Aaron Hubbard,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARTHA ANN,[8] dtr. of Elijah and Sarah Janett[7] (Blish) Hodge, was b. 9 July, 1844, at Glastonbury, Conn. She m. 29 Dec. 1864, Chauncey Tyler, s. of William and Clarinda M. (Maine) Hunt. He was b. 3 June, 1843, at Bolton, Conn.

CHILDREN.

1280. OLIN ELIJAH[9] HUNT, b. 31 Dec. 1866, at Bolton, Conn.
1281. CHARLES CLINTON[9] HUNT, b. 29 May, 1868.
1282. LENA MAY[9] HUNT, b. 9 July, 1873.

1283. EDITH EOLA[9] HUNT, b. 29 May, 1876.
1284. EVA BELLE[9] HUNT, b. 28 Sept. 1881.
1285. DAISY VIOLA[9] HUNT, b. 10 May, 1883.
1286. RAYMOND EARLE[9] HUNT, b. 11 Apr. 1888.

Chauncey Tyler Hunt in his earlier years was a peddler, living at Bolton. In 1869 he moved to Berlin, Conn., and ran a meat market. In 1871, on account of the failing health of his father, he returned to Bolton. He was here a justice of the peace for several years. In 1893 he removed to Rockville, Conn., and engaged in the bakery business.

Olin Elijah[9] Hunt, at the age of twenty-one was elected to represent his town in the Conn. Legislature, where he was called "the baby of the house". He had before been station agent at Bolton for some time, and later was ticket agent at Putnam.

Charles Clinton[9] Hunt is a stenographer and book-keeper in New York City.

1001. ADALINE ELIZABETH[8] (TALCOTT) EMERSON.

(Wait Talcott,[7] Dorothy,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ADALINE ELIZABETH,[8] dtr. of Hon. Wait (658) and Elizabeth Anna (Norton) Talcott, was b. 12 Oct. 1837, at Horseheads, N. Y. She m. 7 Sept. 1858, Ralph Emerson.

CHILDREN.

1287. ADALINE ELIZA[9] EMERSON, b. 13 Aug. 1859, at Rockford Ills. She m. 10 Jany. 1883, *Norman Frederick Thompson*, who was b. 27 June, 1856, at Perry, Georgia. Their children are:
- I. Norman Frederick[10] Thompson, Jr., b. 14 Mar. 1884, at Rockford.
- II. Ralph Emerson[10] Thompson, b. 1 Feby. 1888.
- III. Adalyn[10] Thompson, b. 4 Dec. 1889, at E. Orange, N. J.

1288. HARRIET ELIZABETH[9] EMERSON, b. 8 Mar. 1861. She m. 31 Dec. 1885, *William Elias Hinchliff*; who was b. 27 Dec. 1857, at Chicago, Ill. Their children are—
- I. Hariet Elizabeth[10] Hinchliff; b. 24 Oct. 1887, at Chicago.
- II. Ralph[10] Hinchliff, b. 20 Mar. 1889.
- III. Jeannette Belle[10] Hinchliff, b. 1 July, 1890, at Rockford.
- IV. William[10] Hinchliff, and
- V. Emerson[10] Hinchliff, b. 2 Jany. 1892, (twins). William d. 17 Feby. 1893.

VI. Dorothy[10] Hinchliff, b. 29 Sept. 1893.

1289. MARY[9] EMERSON, b. 6 Apr. 1863. She m. 20 Dec. 1890. *Edward Potter Lathrop*, who was b. 6 July, 1863. He is a lawyer and resides in Rockford.

1290. CHARLOTTE BELLE[9] EMERSON, b. 22 Jany. 1865. She m. 27 Apr. 1898, *Dr. Darwin Mills Keith*, who was b. 15 Oct. 1867. He is practicing physican in Rockford. They have had one child—Belle Keith, b. and d. 21 Feby. 1899.

1291. RALPH[9] EMERSON, Jr., b. 25 Sept. 1866. He was instantly killed, 25 Aug. 1889, while heroically defending his father's property from fire. Though but twenty-three years of age, he had shown such rare executive ability that his sudden death was a shock to the entire community. A beautiful memoir of his life was gotten out by his mother.

1292. DORA BAY[9] EMERSON, b. 7 Mar. 1869. She m. 28 June, 1898, *William Morton Wheeler*, who was b. 19 Mar. 1865. He is an instructor in Embryology in the University of Chicago, where they reside.

1293. JOSEPH EMERSON, b. 2 Aug. 1870, at Cleveland, Ohio. d. same day.

1294. WAIT TALCOTT[9] EMERSON, b. 18 Aug. 1874, at Rockford. d. same day.

Adaline Elizabeth[8] (Talcott) Emerson, is a graduate of Rutger's College, New York City, class of 1856. She is a descendent of a long line of patriots and pioneers, the earliest of whom landed at Plymouth from the Mayflower in 1620. Another line founded the city of Hartford and the State of Connecticut, while still others are identified with the Massachusetts and Connecticut colonies. By reason of her culture and executvie ability, she has been repeatedly called to occupy positions of importance, in philanthropic, patriotic and social organizations, not only in Rockford, but in the State and National organizations, as delegate or representative, in Europe as well as America.

Her printed volumes, "Love Bound and Other Poems," and the Memorial of her son Ralph, attracted much attention and are highly spoken of.

In club life, Mrs. Emerson is a member of the American Author's League, and is officially connected with the State Federation of Clubs. She has also for many years been a member of "The Fortnightly" of Chicago, a purely literary club, and the "Monday Club" of Rockford, and is Second Vice-President of the Rutger's College Alumnae Association, of New York. In philanthropic work her activity is unlimited. She was one of the leading spirits in establishing a hospital in Rockford, giving largely both time and means, and has been one of the Board of Directors ever since it was incorporated, in 1883. She is also Vice-President of the "Woman's Board of the Interior," and

Vice-President of the "Woman's Home Missionary Union", the latter two of Chicago, most of which offices have been held for many years. The latest public recognition of Mrs. Emerson's executive ability was during the Spanish-American war when she was appointed, without previous consultation, by the Governor of Illinois, as Vice-President for the Sixth Supreme Judicial District, to organize an Army and Navy League, for the relief of the sick or wounded at the front, and their families at home. Mrs. Emerson was the only woman thus honored, and through her enthusiasm and push, the Winnebago County League was the first one organized in the state.

Ralph Emerson, Sr., has been for many years identified with the manufacturing and business interests of Rockford, and the leading spirit in the firm, and later company, known as "Emerson, Talcott & Co.," which has already been noted in connection with to Hon. Wait Talcott. (p. 201).

1002. WILLIAM ARIEL[8] TALCOTT.

(Wait Talcott,[7] Dorothy,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM ARIEL,[8] s. of Hon. Wait[7] (658) and Elizabeth Anna (Norton) Talcott, was b. 28 Sept. 1839, at Rockton, Ills. He m. 25 Sept. 1862, at Ft. Atkinson, Wis., Fanny Caroline, dtr. of Milo and Sally (Crane) Jones. She was b. 2 Nov. 1840, at Ft. Atkinson, Wis.

CHILDREN.

1295. AMELIA[9] TALCOTT, b. 28 Nov. 1863, at Rockford, Ill. d. 1 Aug. 1866.

1296. WAIT[9] TALCOTT, Jr. b. 6 May, 1866. He m. 16 Nov. 1887, *Grace*, dtr. of *Alexander Duncan and Elizabeth (Ostrum) Forbes*. Their children are—

I. Wait[10] Forbes, b. 15 Nov. 1888, at Rockford, Ill.
II. William Ariel[10] Forbes, b. 25 June, 1891.
III. Elizabeth[10] Forbes, b. 12 Apr. 1894.

1297. FREDERIC[9] TALCOTT, b. 10 Nov. 1868. d. 20 Sept. 1869.

1298. WILLIAM ARIEL[9] TALCOTT, Jr., b. 25 Feby. 1871. He was a graduate of the class of 1893 in Almherst college, standing very high, not only in his regular studies, but as a fluent and ready debater and speaker and as an athlete. He led the college in boxing, fencing and in the half mile run, and was half back in the football team for three years. He was also the leader of the banjo club for the college. He took a post-graduate course of one year and then entered the Harvard

Law School, from which he graduated in the summer of 1897. The following September he entered the law office of Eaton & Lewis, in New York City, and was admitted to the bar 7 Feby. 1898. While in Harvard he became a member of the Boston Cadets, and he enlisted 29 Apr. 1898, in Co. M, 71st N. Y. Vols., for the Spanish-American war. He served through the Santiago campaign and was with the battalion that reached the top, upon San Juan hill. While still before Santiago he was appointed 2nd Lieut. of Infty. in the U. S. service to rank from the 9th of July, 1898, and was assigned to the 7th Regiment. Although apparently well when he started on the return trip, he was taken sick during the voyage and was greatly reduced upon his arrival at Camp Wykoff, Long Island. He was taken to the detention hospital Aug. 15th, and eleven days later was taken to Watch Hill., R. I., where he d. 1 Sept. 1898, of malarial fever and its attendant complications. His remains were interred in Rockford, where his death cast a gloom over the entire community.

1299. ELIZABETH[9] TALCOTT, b. 10 Sept. 1872. d. 23 Aug. 1878.
1300. FANNY[9] TALCOTT, b. 14 Apr. 1878. d. 24 Jany. 1885.

William Ariel[8] Talcott, though born in Rockton, spent the greater part of his life in Rockford, where, from the time he reached manhood until his death, he was intimately associated with the business interests of the city, and also active in all public enterprises. He was chosen Trustee of Rockford College in 1883, and was President of the Board of Trustees, from 1894 until the time of his death. In 1888 he became a member of the Executive Committee and for the following twelve years only those associated closely with him can form an estimate of the lavish personal care and constant attention which he bestowed upon the business of the college. His home was the center of hospitality for the faculty, students and friends of the college, and the presence of Mr. Talcott and his wife, added charm to all the social occasions of the year. Mr. Talcott had, in a peculiar degree, the faculty of making friends, and there is no more distinctive mark of the service he rendered the college, than the long list of friends and donors he gained for it. His own benefactions were most generous. During his Presidency he exercised all the resources at his command in elevating the school to the independent rank and character of an institution dedicated to the higher education of women. His business life has already been mentioned in connection with the account of his father, Hon. Wait Talcott. In every walk of life the simplicity and sincerity of Mr. Talcott's character have challenged the respect and admiration of all who have had the pleasure of knowing him. Without doubt his life was shortened by burns which he received several years

ago, in a heroic endeavor to save Miss Alice Tobey, who was burned to death at a Rockford College reception. He never fully recovered from the shock and in June, 1900, went abroad with his wife, hoping to gain strength by travel. He died 19 Dec. 1900, in Jerusalem, Palestine.

Fanny Caroline (Jones) Talcott has occupied a prominent position in the social and literary circles of Rockford. She was State Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, but resigned the position soon after the death of her husband.

1004. MARY CARTER[8] (TALCOTT) PETTIBONE.

(Wait Talcott,[7] Dorothy,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MARY CARTER,[8] dtr. of Hon. Wait[7] (658) and Elizabeth Anna (Norton) Talcott, was b. 4 Sept. 1845, at Rockton, Ills. She m. 28 June, 1866, Philo Foster, s. of Philo C. and Louise (Foster) Pettibone.

They have no children.

Mary Carter[8] (Talcott) Pettibone early manifested unusual musical talent and became a very expert pianist. In Chicago she has been active in musical and club life. She is a prominent member of the West End club, and some seven years ago organized the West End Club Chorus, which under her leadership, has been a great success. She has guided the chorus through all styles of music from simple ballads to intricate musical dramas. "The Lady of Shalott" was produced a few months since and was such a success that it was repeated. The chorus has shown its appreciation of her efforts by presenting her with a beautiful baton of ivory, silver and ebony. The chorus consists of twenty-six members of the club and their special badge is a sixteenth note, done in silver and enamel.

Philo Foster Pettibone graduated from Beloit College in 1862, since which time he has been in business in Chicago, being the senior member of the stationery house of P. F. Pettibone & Co. He is a man of fine literary attainments and was at one time on the Chicago Board of Education.

1011. THOMAS ARTHUR[8] HERSEY.

(Prudence Hubbard[7] Talcott, Dorothy,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

THOMAS ARTHUR,[8] s. of Samuel (Jr.) and Prudence Hubbard[7] (Talcott) Hersey, was b. 17 Apr. 1855, at Rockton, Ill. He m. 2 Dec. 1885, at Woodland, So. Dakota, Helena Josephine, dtr. of Martin and Paulina (Czopick) Bartell. She was b. 26 Aug. 1858, at Geneseo, Ill.

CHILDREN.

1301. HARRY BARTELL[9] HERSEY, b. 18 Sept. 1886, at Warren, So. Dakota.
1302. PRUDENCE HUBBARD[9] HERSEY, b. 14 May, 1888.
1303. ARTHUR VAN[9] HERSEY, b. 19 Oct. 1889.
1304. THOMAS TALCOTT[9] HERSEY, b. 15 May, 1891.
1305. RALPH EMERSON[9] HERSEY, b. 8 Mar. 1895.

Thomas Arthur[8] Hersey spent his early years on a farm near Beloit, Wis. On the 8th of Oct. 1870, he had the misfortune to lose his right arm in a threshing machine. He then began attending Beloit High School and spent one year in the College, after which he began teaching, which he followed for ten years. In 1883 he went to Dakota and took up a homestead, and has since followed farming and stock raising, draft horses and Polled Durham cattle being his specialties.

1014. HARRIET ADALINE[8] (HERSEY) VAN TASSEL.

(Prudence Hubbard[7] Talcott, Dorothy,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HARRIET ADALINE,[8] dtr. of Samuel and Prudence Hubbard[7] (Talcott) Hersey, was b. 20 June, 1864, at Rockton, Ill. She m. 7 Aug. 1879, at Beloit, Wis., Amos H. s. of Asel Eaton and Charlotte Minerva (Ely) Van Tassel. He was b. 25 Jany. 1863, at Durand, Ill. They have no children.

Amos H. Van Tassel is a graduate of Beloit College, and is by occupation a traveling salesman for the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour Mills Company.

1015. CHARLES SYLVESTER[8] BLISH.

(William Henry,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES SYLVESTER,[8] s. of William Henry[7] (667) and Eliza (Hollister) Blish, was b. 5 Dec. 1836, in Glastonbury, Conn. He m. (1) 5 Dec. 1861, at Kewanee, Ill., Julia E. Castle.

CHILD.

1306. ROSA WATRESS,[9] b. 5 June, 1862. She m. 27 Jany. 1898, at Jerseyville, Ill., *Augustus Newel Embley.*

He m. (2) 1 Jany. 1882, at Otterville, Ill. Katharyn Fredenburg Grether, a widow, and dtr. of Ephraim Frederic and Mary (Lofton) Fredenburg. She was b. 16 Sept. 1851, at Otterville, Ill.

CHILDREN.

1307. CHARLES HOLLISTER[9], b. 6 Feby. 1883, at Jerseyville, Ill.
1308. CLARA BERYL,[9] b. 29 Jany. 1892.

Charles Sylvester[8] Blish was brought by his parents to Illinois when he was six months old. He was educated in the local schools of Wethersfield and spent a couple of years at Knox College, Illinois. At the age of sixteen he went to Galena, Ill., and was book-keeper in a book store and music house for six years. He then returned to Kewanee, Ill., and was book-keeper for Nathaniel Mayhew, a hardware dealer, until the time of the civil war. During the war he was a clerk for the Quartermaster of the 124th Ill. Vols. In 1869 he moved to Jerseyville, Ill., and for three years was book-keeper in the hardware store of Jason A. Ames. He then became associated with J. S. Daniels in a hardware store, where he remained for the rest of his life, some twenty years. He d. 22 Jany. 1896 at Jerseyville. His funeral services were held in the M. E. church, of which he was a member, and the building was filled to overflowing with sympathising friends and the orders of Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows and Modern Woodmen, to which he belonged.

Charles S.[8] Blish was a skilled musician, and during his whole life was always connected with some musical organization as conductor or drill master. His favorite instrument was the violin, upon which he was a proficient performer. He never tired of giving his services in public or private entertainments, refus-

ing remuneration, and working purely for his love of music and the goodness of his heart. Frail in physique from boyhood, the amount of labor he accomplished was wonderful. His frank and sincere manner made him a universal favorite wherever he lived.

1016. HELEN LOUISE[8] (BLISH) GLEASON.

(William Henry,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HELEN LOUISE,[8] dtr. of William Henry[7] (667) and Eliza (Hollister) Blish, was b. 5 Nov. 1838, at Wethersfield, Ills. She m. 29 June, 1859, George Hiram, s. of Dr. Hiram and Mary ( ) Gleason. He was b. 1 Nov. 1839.

CHILDREN.

1309. FREDERICK WILLIAM[9] GLEASON, b. 27 Mar. 1860, in Wethersfield, Ill. d. 24 Oct. 1860.

1310. HIRAM FRANCIS[9] GLEASON, b. 28 Mar. 1860, a twin of Frederick. He m. 19 Mar. 1892, at Kewanee, Ill., *Emilie Stewart Hayles*, dtr. of Charles and Jane (Allen) Hayles. She was b. 15 Aug. 1860, on the Isle of Wight, England. They have two children—

I. Marjorie Jane Stewart Gleason, b. 10 Jany. 1893.

II. Leslie Hayles Gleason, b. 15 June, 1898.

1311. CARRIE LOUISE[9] GLEASON, b. 26 June, 1861, at Kewanee, Ill. She m. 3 July, 1880, *Samuel H. Blair, Jr.*, a druggist of Kewanee. They had several children.

1312. NELLIE HELEN[9] GLEASON, b. 21 Aug. 1863. She m. 14 Sept. 1881, *William M. Thompson*. They removed to Chicago and had several children. Nellie (Gleason) Thompson d. 17 Aug. 1903, at Evergreen Park, Chicago.

Helen Louise[8] Blish was a remarkably bright girl, with pronounced musical talent, which her father took pains to have cultivated. She was a fine singer and piano player. She sang in the choir of the Wethersfield church for many years and was its first organist. She was small in stature, with dark hair, and large expressive brown eyes, and altogether the most popular girl in Wethersfield. She d. 16 Oct. 1864.

George Hiram Gleason was a machinist by trade and always followed that or some mechanical pursuit. He was killed 5 May, 1873, by the explosion of the boilers at the distillery in Kewanee, owned by Nelson Morris and J. C. Niles, where he was engineer. Damages were recovered for his death.

1017. JOHN GIDDINGS[8] BLISH.

(William Henry,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN GIDDINGS,[8] s. of William Henry[7] (667) and Eliza (Hollister) Blish, was b. 23 June, 1840, at Wethersfield, Ill. He m. 9 Apr. 1882, at Jerseyville, Ill., Emma Alexander, dtr. of Isaac Newton and Esther Mary (Alexander) Porter. She was b. 2 May, 1852, at Woodburn, Ill.

CHILDREN.

1313. ESTHER LOUISA,[9] b. 21 Feby. 1883, at Jerseyville, Ill.
1314. HENRY LUKE,[9] b. 7 Oct. 1885, at St. Louis, Mo.

John Giddings[8] Blish received his education in the local schools. He learned the miller's trade in his father's mill at Wethersfield, which he followed until 1872. For some twenty years he was a deputy in the County or Circuit Clerk's office in Jerseyville, Ill. He has lived also for a time, since his marriage, at Litchfield, and Kewanee, Ill., and at St. Louis, Mo. He is a member of the Episcopal church, and an enthusiastic worker in the cause of temperance.

1024. REV. WILLIAM HENRY[8] BLISH, Jr.

(William Henry,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

WILLIAM HENRY,[8] s. of William Henry[7] (667) and Hannah (Gage) Blish, was b. 14 Jany. 1863, at Wethersfield, Ill. He m. 16 Sept. 1896, at Detroit, Mich., Jean Mary, dtr. of George and Eliza Esther (Heather) Street. She was b. 23 Mar. 1867, at Taplow, England.

CHILDREN.

1315. HELEN HEATHER,[9] b. 8 Nov. 1898, at Detroit, Mich.
1316. JEAN ELIZABETH,[9] b. 2 Mar. 1901, at Chilocco, Oklahoma.
1317. GEORGE HERBERT,[9] b. 22 Sept. 1903, at Hammon, Oklahoma.

William Henry[8] Blish, Jr., graduated from the Kewanee, Ill. High School, and later from Olivet College, Mich., and also from

the Chicago Theological Seminary. He then spent a year and a half in mission work in Oklahoma, and one year as Principal of the Training School at Orange Park, Florida, In 1898 he entered the Government Indian service with the Chinooks on Puget Sound. Has also been with the Hoopa Indians in Hoopa Valley, California, the Santee Sioux, Santee, Nebraska, and four years at the training school at Chilocco, Oklahoma. He is at present (1904) Superintendent of the Red Moon Indian School, among the Cheyennes, at Hammon, Oklahoma. He is admirably adapted to this work, and seems to have the confidence and respect of his dusky pupils, to whom he is sincerely attached.

1027. HENRY SYLVESTER[8] BLISH.

(Thomas,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HENRY SYLVESTER,[8] s. of Thomas[7] (668) and Wealthy Ann (Buck) Blish, was b. 16 July, 1838, at Rock Island, Ill. He m. 8 May, 1861, at Galena, Ill., Elizabeth Fraley, dtr. of Francis W. and Margaretta (Bringhurst) Bockius. She was b. 5 May, 1840, at Germantown, Penn.

CHILD.

1318+HENRY HERBERT,[9] b. 27 Nov. 1862, at Galena, Ills.

Henry Sylvester[8] Blish was educated at Galena, Ill., and for the last seven years of his life, was book-keeper for the mercantile house of John Fiddick. He d. 11 June, 1866, a little less than twenty-eight years of age. He was a noble character and loved and respected by a large circle of friends.

1037. JAMES KNOX[8] BLISH.

(Charles Cheney,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JAMES KNOX,[8] s. of Charles Cheney[7] (669) and Elizabeth Potter (Bonar) Blish, was b. 2 May, 1843, at Wethersfield, Ill. He m. (1) 25 Dec. 1867, at Chicago, Ill., Mary Eliza, dtr. of Red-

JAMES KNOX BLISH.

MATTHEW BONAR BLISH.

mond and Cyrena (Phillips) McManus. She was b. 1 Jany. 1846, at Sherburne, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

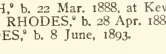
1319. CARRIE ELIZABETH,[8] b. 7 Feby. 1869, at Wethersfield, Ill. d. 8 June, 1870, at Council Bluffs, Iowa.
1320.+JAMES LOUIS,[8] b. 18 July, 1871, at Chicago, Ill.
1321. BERTHA BELLE,[8] b. 19 Sept. 1877, at Kewanee, Ill. She is a graduate of the Kewanee High School, and spent two years at the Knox Conservatory of Music, in Galesburg, Ill. She is at present (1904) teaching in the Kindergarten Dept. of the public schools, at Fond du Lac, Wis.

Mary Eliza Blish d. 18 Sept. 1883, at Kewanee, Ill., of pulmonary consumption, supposed to have been contracted while nursing her sister, who died of the same disease, a year before.

James Knox Blish m. (2) 5 Oct. 1886, at Cambridge, Ill., Amy Mason, dtr. of Albert and Ann Elizabeth (Read) Rhodes. She was b. 17 Sept. 1855, at Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

1322. ELIZABETH,[8] b. 22 Mar. 1888, at Kewanee, Ill.
1323. MATTHEW RHODES,[8] b. 28 Apr. 1889.
1324. ASA RHODES,[8] b. 8 June, 1893.



James Knox[8] Blish spent his boyhood on his father's farm in Wethersfield, attending the local schools. He was one year in the Ann Arbor, Mich. High School, and in 1862 entered the University of Michigan, graduating in 1866 with the degree of B. A., and in 1876 received the degree of M. A. from the same institution. After leaving college, having a natural aptitude for theatricals, he spent one year, at Leavenworth, Kansas, in the opera house, which was sufficient to convince him that it was not the life which he wished to follow, and he returned to Wethersfield, was married and engaged in farming for two years. He then went to Council Bluffs, Iowa, and engaged in the blank book and stationery business for two years, and later followed the same business in Chicago, until after the great fire of 1871, when he returned to Kewanee, Ill., and entered the office of Judge John H. Howe, and began the study of law. Judge Howe, a year later, was appointed by President Grant as Chief Justice of the Terri-

tory of Wyoming and left Kewanee, and Mr. Blish's studies were completed with Hon. Levi North, a former law partner of Judge Howe's. While pursuing his law course he was elected Justice of the Peace and was the youngest man who ever filled the position in Kewanee. In 1873, he was admitted to practice law, on examination before the Judges of the Supreme Court of Illinois, at Springfield, among whom was the venerable Sidney Breese. He at once opened a law office in Kewanee, and has since followed that profession. He has taken an active interest in the institutions of his city, having been one of the organizers, and for ten years one of the directors of the Kewanee Public Library, Supervisor for four years, and one of the Building Committee which supervised the erection of the Henry County Court House; member of the Board of Education of Kewanee for eighteen years; one of the organizers and for twelve years President of the Kewanee Fair Association; organizer of the Kewanee Building & Loan Association, which has had twenty-two years successful existence; member of the City Council, and other local offices. He was for two years Vice-President of the First National Bank of Kewanee, and has been for ten years last past its President. In 1902 he was elected as Minority Representative to the General Assembly of Illinois, for the Thirty-seventh District, composed of Bureau, Henry and Stark counties.

Amy Mason (Rhodes) Blish was brought to Illinois by her parents, when an infant. Her father located on a farm at Bunker Hill, south of Buda, Illinois Here she attended the local schools, until failing health compelled her father to quit farming and the family removed to Buda. She finished her education at Providence, Rhode Island, and at once began teaching, which she followed for over ten years, during most of which time she was first assistant in the High schools of Buda, Sheffield and Cambridge, Illinois. Since her marriage she has been an active participant in the social, charitable and literary life of Kewanee. She is a member of the Ladies' Reading Club, which has just celebrated its tenth anniversary; was the organizer and for several years Regent of the Kewanee Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and for fifteen years has been an officer and one of the managers of the Dorcas society, an organization to aid the sick, destitute and worthy poor, which is supported by voluntary contributions from charitable citizens of the city, and which has been of great benefit to the community.

1040. MATTHEW BONAR[8] BLISH.

(Charles Cheney,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

MATTHEW BONAR,[8] s. of Charles Cheney[7] (669) and Elizabeth Potter (Bonar) Blish, was b. 5 Dec. 1848, at Wethersfield, Ill. He m. 23 Dec. 1868, at Wethersfield, Ill., Martha Florence, dtr. of Daniel Webster and Elizabeth Almira (Wedge) Morrill. She was b. 18 Nov. 1849, at Ripley, Vir.

CHILDREN.

1325.+KATE ELIZABETH,[9] b. 13 Oct. 1869, at Wethersfield, Ill.
1326.+CHARLES BONAR,[9] b. 25 Feby. 1871.
1327.+DWIGHT MORRILL, b. 23 May, 1881.

Matthew Bonar[8] Blish attended the local schools of Wethersfield and Kewanee, and spent one year at the University of Mich. After his marriage he began farming which continued to be his business until a couple of years after the death of his father, in 1890. In company with his father, (under the firm name of C. C. Blish & Son) he built up one of the finest herds of Short-horn cattle in the West. After the death of the senior member of the firm, Mr. Blish, never of strong physique, felt that the constant care necessary to maintain the herd was telling upon him and dispersed it at a public sale, and the high prices realized were an unmistakable index of the quality of the animals. For a few years thereafter he was not in any active business, but the last two years he has been interested with his son, Charles B. Blish, in the Vienna Bakery in Kewanee. For the last five years his winters have been spent in Mobile, Alabama, and Pensacola, Florida, to avoid the rigors of the northern climate. He is officially connected with the Kewanee Fair Association and is a prominent member of the Masonic order.

1080. EDWIN M.[8] BLISH.

(Aaron,[7] Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

EDWIN M.[8] s. of Aaron[7] (686) and Nancy (Goodenough) Blish, was b. 25 Jany., 1857, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. 17 Mar.

1880, at Binghampton, N. Y., Sarah L. Alden. She was b. 5 May, 1859, at Binghampton, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1328. EMMA,[9] b. 2 Jany. 1882, at Binghampton, N. Y.
1329. SUSAN MAY,[9] b. 10 Aug. 1883.
1330. ALICE C.[9] b. 6 July, 1885.

1088. CHARLES ADDISON[8] BLISH.

(Novatus Mapes,[7] Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES ADDISON,[8] s. of Novatus Mapes,[7] (688) and Marietta (Corwin) Blish, was b. 21 July, 1852, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. 28 Sept. 1876, at Elgin, Ill., Anna Grace, dtr. of Peter and Elizabeth (Wallin) VanNostrand. She was b. 19 Apr. 1859. at Elgin, Ill.

CHILDREN.

1331. NOVATUS BRUCE,[9] b. 23 Sept. 1877, at Elgin, Ills. He m. 5 Apr. 1904, at Kewanee, Ill., *Edna Lewis.*
1332. HELEN GRACE,[9] b. 24 Feby. 1883. She m. 1 Oct. 1903, *Archibald Lawrence Harper.* They have one child, Paul Blish[10] Harper, b. 30 Aug. 1904, at Elgin, Ill.
1333. ELIZABETH WALLIN,[9] b. 3 June, 1884.
1334. CHARLES VAN NOSTRAND,[9] b. 30 Jany. 1894.

Charles Addison[8] Blish completed his studies at the seminary in Stamford, N. Y., and soon afterward entered the law office of Judge Maynard, Ex-First Assistant Secretary of State under President Grover Cleveland. In 1875 he removed to Chicago, Ill., and was admitted to the practice of the law. This, however, he did not long follow. Having decided musical tastes and being gifted with a fine baritone voice, which he had cultivated, he entered this field, and for many years managed concert and operatic companies, covering not only the United States, but Canada and Mexico, as well. He was not manager alone, but took an active position with the different companies in their performances, and as a baritone soloist stood very high. A severe throat difficulty made it necessary for him to quit singing and for a time he was manager of the Mendelsohn Quintette Club, at that time the leading musical organization of its kind in the country. In 1891, he quit music, as an occupation, and for several years, in connection

with William C. Leavitt, under the name of Blish & Leavitt, was manager of the SanFrancisco office of the Union Mutual Life Insurance company, of Portland, Maine. At the present time he is a traveling salesman for a wholesale coffee and tea house and resides at Elgin, Ill. Rest has restored his voice to nearly its prsitine quality, and he is yet frequently called upon as a soloist on various occasions. His interest in music is unabated, and as an entertainer and story-teller he has few equals. He is deservedly popular wherever he is known.

Anna Grace (Van Nostrand) Blish is descended from a long line, dating from 1634, in this country. The VanNostrands have been noted for their love of personal and religious freedom. Some of them were in the Revolutionary army. The family motto is "I am a Van of a Van", which is taken from the following curious couplet:

"On every rugged feature, ancestral glories shine,
We claim a common kinship, with all that is good and fine;
I'm a Van of a Van of a son of a Van,
Of a Van of a way-back line."

The VanNostrand line is traced as far back as the army of William the Conqueror, and has a most interesting history.

1090. JOHN COWAN[8] BLISH.

(Novatus Mapes,[7] Novatus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JOHN COWAN,[8] s. of Novatus Mapes[7] (688) and Marietta (Cowan) Blish, was b. 16 Apr. 1857, at Stamford, N. Y. He m. 10 Sept. 1880, Alice, dtr. of Edmond and Amelia (Gould) Barlow. She was b. .....

CHILD.

1335. ESTHER ALMA,[9] b. 5 Mar. 1889.

John Cowan[8] Blish has continued to reside on the Blish homestead which he has managed for several years. It is run as a dairy farm and the products are shipped on special trains to New York City, daily.

1096. GEORGE B.[8] SMITH.

(Evaline Celia,[7] Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

GEORGE B.[8] s. of Thomas H. and Evaline Celia[7] (Blish) Smith, was b. 18 June, 1860, at N. Harpersfield, N. Y. He m. 17 Sept. 1884, at Jefferson, N. Y., Flora M., dtr. of Heman C. and Sallie H. Patchin. She was b. 8 Sept. 1864, at Jefferson.

CHILDREN.

1336. IRA B.[9] SMITH, b. 6 June, 1885, at N. Harpersfield, N. Y. d. 30 Jany. 1890.
1337. THOMAS D.[9] SMITH, b. 24 Feby. 1887.
1338. MYRTLE B.[9] SMITH, b. 25 May, 1892.
1339. MABEL B.[9] SMITH, b. 25 May, 1896.

1100. CHARLES BLISH[8] McLAURY.

(Lorana Ann,[7] Aristarchus,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES BLISH,[8] s. of Daniel and Lorana Ann[7] (Blish) McLaury, was b. 24 May, 1855, at New Brunswick, N. J. He m. 7 Dec. 1879, Addie B., dtr. of Abraham Dean and Margaret S. (Selover) Van Pelt. She was b. 1 Apr. 1858, at New Brunswick, N. J.

CHILD.

1340. EDITH BLISH[9] McLAURY, b. 3 Dec. 1885, at New Brunswick, N. J.

Charles Blish[8] McLaury, when about twenty-one years of age started as purser and clerk on the steamboat line to New York City, and for many years past has been Freight and Transfer Agent for the steamboat company at New Brunswick, N. J.

1112. FRANK MAY[8] BLISH.

(Morris Farrington,[7] Roderic Skinner,[6] Aaron,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FRANK MAY,[8] s. of Morris Farrington[7] (698) and Sarah (Macomber) Blish, was b. 30 June, 1865, at Wilmington, Ill. He m. 19 Jany. 1888, at Rockford, Ill., Louisa A., dtr. of Peter Hubbard Joslin. She was b. 11 Feby. 1865.

CHILDREN.

1341. MORRIS JOSLIN,[9] b. 21 Apr. 1889, at Lincoln, Nebraska.
1342. HELEN MAY,[9] b. 9 Nov. 1890.

Frank May Blish, after leaving school, began as a clerk in the office of R. G. Dunn & Co. in Rockford, Ill., where he remained six months and was then transferred to the office of the same company in Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1885, where he was city reporter until July, 1887, when he was made manager of the office. In 1903 he was promoted as District Manager, and his office moved to Omaha, Nebraska, where he now is.

NINTH GENERATION.

1145. GEORGE WILLIAM[9] BLISH.

(Joseph,[8] Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham,[1])

GEORGE WILLIAM,[9] s. of Joseph[8] (800) and Abigail Ingersoll (Champney) Blish, was b. 1 Mar. 1837, at Rome, Ill. He m. (1) 4 July, 1865, at St. Louis, Mo. Caroline, dtr. of Samuel and Caroline Fazette (Jones) Wells.

CHILD.

1349. CAROLINE WELLS[10], b. 19 Sept. 1866, at St. Louis, Mo. She m. 1 Oct. 1890, at St. Louis, *William Cullen Morris*, s. of Frank B. and Emma (Girvan) Morris. He was b. 13 May, 1864, at Philadelphia, Penn.

Issue—Samuel Wells[11] Morris, b. 25 Nov. 1891.

Caroline Wells Blish from the fall of 1886 to the summer of 1890, was a teacher in the public schools of St. Louis. William Cullen Wells is Vice President and general manager of the Christy Fire Clay Company, of St. Louis, with which he has been connected for many years.

He m. (2) 21 Jany. 1878, Lauretta Hayden, dtr. of Ezekiel Cleveland and Amy Elizabeth (Dodge) Wheelock. She was b. 20 Mar. 1858, at Kingston, Nova Scotia.

CHILD.

1350. GEORGETTA CHAMPNEY[10], b. 26 Oct. 1880.

George William[9] Blish finished his education at Madison University, Hamilton, N. Y. He first started as a book-keeper in St. Louis, where he found his first wife. He had a strong liking for the drama and elocution, and was for a time on the stage. He finally went to Boston, Mass., where he took up elocution as a profession, in which he soon took a leading position. For a number of years he conducted the "Blish School of Elocution," in Tremont Temple, Boston, and is widely known in the east as a reader and elocutionist of the highest order.

1146. CAROLINE ELDRED[9] (BLISH) LAMBERT.

(Joseph,[8] Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham,[1])

CAROLINE ELDRED,[9] dtr. of Joseph[8] (500) and Abigail Ingersoll (Champney) Blish, was b. 4 June, 1840, at St. Charles, Mo. She m. Sept. 1862, at LaSalle, Ills., Samuel Clouse, s. of Henry and Mary Burton (Clouse) Lambert. He was b. 30 Apr. 1840, at Chelsea, Mass.

CHILDREN.

1351. GEORGE WALKER[10] LAMBERT, b. 26 May, 1864, at Waltham, Mass.
1352. FRANCIS HENRY[10] LAMBERT, b. 4 Oct. 1866.
1353. LUTHUR[10] LAMBERT, b. 15 Dec. 1869, at La Salle, Ills.
1354. ABBIE MAY[10] LAMBERT, b. 2 Feby. 1871.

Caroline Eldred (Blish) Lambert d. 18 Feby. 1865, at Everett, Mass. Samuel Clouse Lambert comes from old Puritan stock, the ancestor on his father's side coming from France, through the north of Ireland, down through England and thence to America. On his mother's side he is of Holland Dutch descent. His early life was spent in Chelsea, Mass., his native village. After leaving school, he entered a dry goods store, coming west with his father some years later, he met and afterwards married the daughter of Joseph Blish.

In the spring of 1861, while plowing, he heard that President Lincoln had called for 75,000 volunteers, he unhitched his team, and though opposed at first by his father, he insisted upon volunteering, carried it out, and served through the war. At the close of the war he settled at La Salle, Ills., where he followed the carpenter's trade. He is a man of unexceptionable habits and character, frank, genial and a pleasant man to meet. He is a member of the Grand Army Post, and of late has resided in Chelsea, Mass.

1147. ALICE SISSON[9] (BLISH) BENT.

(Joseph,[8] Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham,[1])

ALICE SISSON,[9] dtr. of Joseph[8] (500) and Abigail Ingersoll (Champney) Blish, was b. 8 Jany. 1842, at Griswold's Land-

ing, Mo. She m 4 June, 1862, at LaSalle, Ills., Capt. John W. Yates. He was b. 3 Jany. 1821.

CHILD.

1355. HERBERT WILSON[10] YATES, b. 20 Sept, 1867, at St. Louis, Mo.He m. 7 June, 1894, *Mattie Orr*, dtr. of William and Katie Orr, of Barton, Maryland. They have a child, Helen Orr[11] Yates, b. 23 Apr. 1895.

Capt. John W. Yates d. 24 Jany. 1870, of consumption, and his wife m. (2) 1 Oct. 1874, Thacher Tucker, s. of Rev. Josiah and Paulina (Rice) Bent. He was b. 4 Sept. 1833, at Weymouth, Mass.

CHILDREN.

1356. JOSIAH RAYMOND[10] BENT, b. 3 Jany. 1877, at Ogiesley, Ill.
1357. ALICE PAULINE[10] BENT, b. 6 June, 1878.

1148. MARY EVALINE[9] (BLISH) SUTPHEN. (Joseph,[8] Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph.[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham,[1])

MARY EVALINE,[9] dtr. of Joseph,[8] (800) and Abigail Ingersoll (Champney) Blish, was b. 1 Oct. 1844, at Griswold's Landing, Mo. She m. 1 July, 1868, at LaSalle, Ills., Albert Warren, s. of Charles Higginbotham and Elizabeth (Dow) Sutphen. He was b. 10 Apr. 1845, at Earlville, Ills.

CHILDREN.

1358. ALICE MAUD[10] SUTPHEN, b. 5 Feby. 1870, at Seneca, Ill.
1359. MARY ELIZABETH[10] SUTPHEN, b. 10 Sept. 1873, at Aurora, Ills.
1360. LILLIAN MAY[10] SUTPHEN, b. 14 Nov. 1874, at Valparaiso, Ind.
1361. NELLIE EVALINE[10] SUTPHEN, b. 5 Feby. 1877, at Benecia, Calif.
1362. ALBERT WARREN[10] SUTPHEN, Jr., b. 1 July, 1879, at Suisun, Calif.
1363. ROBERT WILLIAM[10] SUTPHEN, b. 27 Mar. 1882, at Vacaville, Calif.
1364. FRANKIE[10] SUTPHEN, b. 17 Sept. 1884, at Soquel, Calif. d. 17 Dec. 1888.

The early years of Albert Warren Sutphen were spent between the schools of Earlville, Ills., and his father's farm. At the age of seventeen, while still in school, he passed the required

examination and received from the County Superintendent, his first certificate to teach, a document which he still treasures. After teaching several winters, and helping his father in the spring and summer, he secured the principalship of one of the grammar schools at Ottawa, Ills., having finished the course of the High School of his native town. After teaching for several years, he took a course in the National Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio, and soon after removed to California, where he followed teaching for many years, and was elected County Superintendent of Schools for Solano County. His work in that capacity is very highly spoken of. He is very zealous in his educational work and has brought the schools of his county to a high state of efficiency. The family are all musical, and Albert W. Sutphen, Jr., has composed several fine pieces.

1149. ELLEN[9] (BLISH) FISHER.

(Joseph,[8] Joseph,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham,[1])

ELLEN,[9] dtr. of Joseph[8] (800) and Abigail Ingersoll (Champney) Blish, was b. 19 Jany. 1847, at Earlville, Ills. She m. 15 Jany. 1867, at LaSalle, Ills., Frank A., s. of Allen and Louisa (Gilinger) Fisher. He was b. 1 Feby. 1844, in New York City.

CHILDREN.

1365. ALLEN JOSEPH[10] FISHER, b. 22 Mar. 1870, at Seneca, Ill. He m. 14 Mar. 1894, *Sallie West.*

1366. CARRIE LOUISE[10] FISHER*, b. 25 Sept. 1879, at Cleburne, Texas. She m. 16 June, 1897, *Charles M. Fechheimer.*

Frank A. Fisher came west with his father in 1847, and the family lived on a farm until 1858. From that time he attended the High School in Ottawa, Ills., until 1862, when he entered the Columbia College Law School in New York City, and completed the course in 1864. The next five years were devoted to teaching, during which time he was principal of the schools at Utica and Seneca, Ill., and the 4th Ward school at Ottawa, Ill. He then took up the practice of law, the first few years at Marseilles, and Ottawa, Ill., the next eighteen years at Cleburne, Texas, and since 1895, at Chickasha, Ind. Ter., upon the establishment of United States Courts at that place. He has never engaged in politics or

*Four other children have been born, but died in infancy.

outside matters. His son-in-law is now in partnership with him under the firm name of Fisher & Fechheimer.

1164.
KATHARINE FRANCES[9] (LAWRENCE) MERCER.

(Temperance Shaw,[8] George,[7] Joseph,[6] Joseph,[5] Joseph,[4] Joseph.[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

KATHARINE FRANCES,[9] dtr. of William F. and Temperance Shaw[8] (Blish) Lawrence, was b. 16 Jany. 1866, at Boston, Mass. She m. 14 Feby. 1893, at Boston, Capt. D. Mercer, R. M. s. of David Dixon and Margaret (Trigg) Mercer. He was b. 1 July, 1864, at Dalwich, England.

CHILDREN.

1367. MARGARET LAWRENCE[10] MERCER, b. 6 Jany. 1894, at Gosport, England.
1368. DAVID DIXON[10] MERCER, Jr., b. 6 June, 1896, at West Newton, Mass.
1369. LAWRENCE[10] MERCER, b. 6 June, 1896, a twin with David Dixon.

The family reside in England.

1194. FRANK DWIGHT[9] BLISH.

(Dwight Frank,[8] Henry Francis,[7] Robert Stiles,[6] Ezra,[5] Sylvanus,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

FRANK DWIGHT,[9] s. of Dwight Frank (881) and Minnie (Graff) Blish was b. 9 Aug. 1873, at Willimantic, Conn. He m. 1 Feby. 1896, at West Springfield, Mass., Mary Grace, dtr. of Amos William and Ora Angeline (Latham) Bill. She was b. 18 Jany. 1875 at Willimantic, Conn.

CHILD.

1370. LESTER HENRY[10], b. 7 Dec., 1896, Willimatic.

Frank Dwight[9] Blish, after leaving school, took a position in the grocery store with his father, where he has remained, and is now a partner in the business.

1216. DANIEL WILLIAM[9] BLISH.

(David,[8] Daniel,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DANIEL WILLIAM,[9] s. of David (933) and Elizabeth (Hickok) Blish, was b. 2 Jany. 1867, at Appleton, Wis. He m. 29 Nov. 1898, at Englewood, Chicago, Ills., Helen S., dtr. of Ozias Daniel, and Fidelia Mary (Richards) Clark. She was b. 22 May, 1873, at Warsaw, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

1371. MYRON DAVID[10], b. 14 Aug. 1901, at Englewood, Ill.
1372. HELEN ELIZABETH[10], b. 1 July, 1904.

Daniel William Blish was schooled at Omro and Poygan, Wis., and Valparaiso, Ind. He is with the Wells-Fargo Express company.

1217. ERNEST[9] BLISH.

(David,[8] Daniel,[7] Daniel,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

ERNEST,[9] s. of David (933) and Elizabeth (Hickok) Blish, was b. 2 Nov. 1877, at Poygan, Wis. He m. 18 Oct. 1899, at Englewood, Ill., Mabel, dtr. of Daniel and Emma (Crawford) Eaton. She was b. 5 May, 1876, at Buckingham, Kankakee Co., Illinois.

CHILD.

1373. EMMA LOUISE[10], b. 25 Jany. 1902, at Ashburn, Ill.

Ernest[9] Blish was schooled at Omro and Poygan, Wis., and is a graduate of the Chicago Business College. Is with his father in the flour and feed business.

1218. HENRY HERBERT[9] BLISH.

(Henry Sylvester,[8] Thomas,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

HENRY HERBERT,[9] s. of Henry Sylvester[8] (1027) and Elizabeth Fraley (Bockius) Blish, was b. 29 Nov. 1862, at Galena, Ills. He m. 21 Feby. 1888, at Dubuque, Iowa, Elizabeth Morse, dtr. of John and Anna (Alexander) Maclay. She was b. 8 Nov. 1863, at Dubuque, Iowa.

CHILDREN.

1374. HERBERT HARGER[10], b. 4 Jany. 1889, at Dubuque.
1375. MARJORIE[10], b. 26 July, 1894.

Henry Herbert[9] Blish was educated at Dubuque, Iowa. At the age of fifteen he entered the book store of Grosvenor & Harger, then the largest store of its kind in Dubuque. A few years later he formed a partnership with the junior member of the firm, under the name of Harger & Blish, which has been very successful. He has the reputation of being one of Dubuque's best business men, and is both energetic and affable.

1320. JAMES LOUIS[8] BLISH.

(James Knox,[8] Charles Cheney,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

JAMES LOUIS,[9] s. of James Knox[8] (1037) and Mary Eliza (McManus) Blish, was b. 18 July, 1871, at Chicago, Ills., and was a baby in arms at the time of the great fire. He m. 30 June, 1896. at Fond du Lac, Wis., Martha Brown, dtr. of James Farnum and Eleanor (Capron) Aldrich. She was b. 14 Sept. 1865, at Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

1378. MARY ELEANOR[10], b. 20 Nov. 1898, at Fon du Lac.
1379. ZIRIAN ALDRICH[10], b. 13 July, 1900.
1380. FLORENCE GERTRUDE[10], b. 11 Oct. 1904.

James Louis[9] Blish graduated from the High School at Kewanee, Illinois, and then took three years course at the Dental

Department of the Northwestern University, then at the Chicago Medical College, Chicago. After his graduation he worked for one year at LaPorte, Ind., and then opened an office at Morris, Ills., where he remained about one year. He then went to Milwaukee, Wis., and later to Fond du Lac, where he has since remained in the practice of his profession.

1325. KATE ELIZABETH[9] (BLISH) HANDLEY.

(Matthew Bonar,[8] Charles Cheney,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

KATE ELIZABETH[9], dtr. of Matthew Bonar[8] (1040) and Martha Florence (Morrill) Blish, was b. 13 Oct., 1869, at Wethersfield, Ills. She m. 6 May, 1891, at Wethersfield, Charles Daniel, s. of Daniel and Alice (Rothbothm) Handley. He was b. 12 Nov. 1861.

CHILDREN.

1381. LILLIAN BLISH[10] HANDLEY, b. 11 Sept. 1892, at Kewanee, Ill.
1382. CHARLES MAX[10] MANDLEY, b. 31 Mar. 1897.

Charles Daniel Handley has been for many years employed in the department store of Lay & Lyman, in Kewanee.

1326. CHARLES BONAR[9] BLISH.

(Matthew Bonar,[8] Charles Cheney,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

CHARLES BONAR[9], s. of Matthew Bonar[8] (1040) and Martha Florence (Morrill) Blish, was b. 25 Feby., 1871, at Wethersfield, Ill. He m. at Chicago, Ill., 18 May, 1892, Sarah Ann, dtr. of Thomas and Alice Agnes (Morrill) Jones. She was b. 1 June, 1871, at Chicago.

CHILD.

1383. FLORENCE ETHEL[10], b. 16 Apr. 1893, at Kewanee, Ill.

Charles Bonar[9] Blish grew up on the old Blish homestead

farm in Wethersfield, Ill. After his father quit farming he was for several years a foreman in the malleable iron department of the Western Tube Company, at Kewanee. For the last three years he has been at the head of the Vienna Bakery Company, in Kewanee, which is owned by himself and his father.

1327. DWIGHT MORRILL[9] BLISH.

(Matthew Bonar,[8] Charles Cheney,[7] Sylvester,[6] Thomas,[5] David,[4] Tristram,[3] Joseph,[2] Abraham.[1])

DWIGHT MORRILL[9], s. of Matthew Bonar[8] (1040) and Martha Florence (Blish) was b. 23 May, 1881, at Wethersfield, Ill. He m. 30 Apr., 1902, at Effingham, Ill., Callie Theodora, dtr. of Arthur Berryman and Josephine Rebecca (Glosener) Johnson. She was b. 29 Nov., 1882.

CHILD.

1384. MATTHEW BERRYMAN[10], b. 1 Aug. 1904, at Effingham, Ill.

Dwight Morrill[9] Blish, after leaving school, studied photography, and for some time engaged in that business in Kewanee. He is now engaged in the grocery business, at Effingham, Ill.

UNCONNECTED RECORDS.

Records of persons by the name of Blish, or Blush, whose lineage is incomplete.

JOEL BLISH, b. 1 Aug., 1791, in Hartford county, Conn. He m. ....., Betsy Prince, at Springfield, Mass.

CHILDREN.

HENRY, b. 9 July, 1818, at Glastonbury, Conn.
ELIZABETH, b. 3 Mar. 1820, at Glastonbury.
ELECTA, b. 26 Mar. 1822, d. 17 Jany. 1853.
EARL, b. 14 Feby, 1824. Lived a bachelor.
CORDELIA, b. 4 July, 1829.
ALBERT, b. Mar. 9, 1832.
DANIEL, b. 8 Apr. 1834, d. 16 Oct. 1883.

The first two children were born in Connecticut, and the remainder in Norwalk, Ohio.

Joel Blish spent his younger days in the armory at Springfield, Mass,. and came west in 1822, locating at Norwalk, Ohio. His wife, Betsey, d. 23 Feby., 1841 and Joel d. in Aug., 1881. Both are buried at Norwalk. He is said to have had brothers, Asa and Daniel, and sisters, Hannah and Betsey. The brothers are said to have come west about 1830.

He owned lands in Glastonbury, Conn., which he deeded away in Nov., 1821. There is a possibility that he may have been the son of Abraham (146), whose son Daniel (304) came west in 1836. *See ante pp.* 93 *and* 129.

References. *Glastonbury, Conn. Deed Recs. Vols.* 20 & 21.
Glastonbury Town, Rec. Vol. 2. *p.* 166.

HENRY, s. of Joel and Betsey Blish, m. 16 Oct., 1842, Caroline M. Harkness. She was b. in Lorain county, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

ROSELTHA, b. 23 Mar. 1844.
CYTHERA, b. 22 Apr. 1847.
ESTELLA, b. 27 June, 1849.
CARRIE MAY, b. 5 Dec. 1859.

Henry Blish for may years carried on a tub and pail factory at Antioch, Ind. He d. 3 Aug. 1885.

HARVEY BLISH, b. ..... m. Phebe Worden, dtr. of Nathaniel and Cyrena (Hurlbert) Worden.

CHILDREN.

HARVEY FREDERICK, b. ..... 1826, in Montpelier, Vermont. He was in Racine, Wis. in 1896, and had a son Byron F. Blish.
CORNELIUS, ...
MARY JANE, b. ..... d. ..... Buried at Wonewoc, Wis.
ALFRED DAY, m. Amanda VanDenser. Has s. Alexander, b. 31 May, 1873, at Algona, Wis., who m. 18 Apr. 1899, Anna Schubert, and lives in Chicago, Ill.
ALVIRA ANGEL, b. ..... m. ..... Wheeler. Wonewoc, Wis.
+GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. 19 Nov. 1835.
+CAROLINE MELISSA, b. 16 Jany., 1837.
ELLEN MARIA, b. ..... m. ..... Phillips. Wonewoc, Wis.
ANNA, b. ..... d. ..... Buried at Wonewoc, Wis.
LOUISA, b. ..... d. ..... Buried at Blue Earth, Minn.

Harvey Blish and his wife both d. at Wonewoc, Wis. All of the children are supposed to have been born in Morristown, St. Lawrence county, N. Y., except the eldest and two youngest. Harvey Blish is believed to have been a surveyor in Vermont and to have had brothers named Oliver, William and Volney.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, s. of Harvey and Phebe (Worden) Blish, was b. 19 Nov., 1835, in St. Lawrence county, N. Y. He m. 20 Jany., 1855, at Racine, Wis., Evaline A. Hollister, dtr. of Caleb H. and Deborah (Clute) Conant. She was b. 9 Oct., 1836, in Onandaigua county, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

CHARLES G., b. 20 Dec., 1855, at Racine, Wis.
ANNIE E., b. 17 Nov. 1857.
WILLIAM H., b. 14 Apr. 1860, at Big Foot Prairie, Wis.
NELL D., b. 9 Aug. 1863, at Holland, Mich.
JENNIE M., b. 27 Oct. 1866.
FRANCIS E., b. 8 Jany. 1869.
ROSE B., b. 28 Sept. 1871.
LOLO M., b. 9 Jany. 1878, at Wonewoc, Wis.

George W. Blish attended school at Ogdensburg, N. Y., until the family moved to Racine, Wis., in 1846. After finishing school, he learned the mason's trade and followed it for three years, when he took up sailing, which he followed for twenty-

five years, working his way up until he commanded vessels. His latter years were spent at Wonewoc, Wis., where he d. 21 May, 1899.

CAROLINE MELISSA, dtr. of Harvey and Phebe (Worden) Blish, was b. 16 Jany., 1837, at Morristown, N. Y. She m. ..... 1854, Theodore, s. of Samuel and Julia Ann (Piatt) Lane.

CHILDREN.

ELLA CELIA LANE, b. 7 Apr. 1855, at Racine, Wis.
EDWIN CURTISS LANE, b. 1 Aug. 1857.
THEODORE M. LANE, Jr., b. 7 Aug. 1862.
SAMUEL OLIVER LANE, b. 15 Dec. 1865.
JULIA ANN LANE, b. 16 Feby. 1868. d. 7 Nov. 1869.

Theodore M. Lane sailed the great lakes for some forty-four years. He enlisted in the civil war, and was corporal of Co. A. 22nd. Wis. Vols. Was captured in March, 1863, and served a term in Libby prison. He was in the battles of Chicamauga, Lookout Mountain, and wounded at the battle of Resaca, 13 May, 1864. From 1858 to 1862 he owned and sailed the sloop "Helen Marr." After the war he commanded the brig "Hampton," the schooners "Eclipse," "Lewis Ludington" and 'Josephine Dresden," up to 1894, when he quit the lakes and settled down on a farm at Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

HORACE L. BLISH, s. of William Blish, of Colchester, Vt. m. 22 Sept. 1853, Laura Jane Smith.—*Burlington Vt. Rec. Vol.* 3, *p.* 1.

He m. (2) Mrs. Lucia E. Gray, a widow. He d. at N. Troy, Vt., in 1896, leaving children, Clarence E. Horace H., and William S., of Colchester, Vt., Harry H., of St. Johns, Oregon, and Nellie H., who m. W. J. Bates. His estate was settled in Burlington, Vt.

ALBERT BLISH, of Winooski, Vt., m. Phisha Burlett, 24 Feby., 1859.

EDWARD BLUSH, of Colchester, Vt., m. Mary Jane Keenen, of Washington, D. C.—*Burlington, Vt. Rec.*

CHILDREN.

MARY AGNES, b. 15 Aug. 1869, at Washington, D. C.
JOSEPH, b. ..... 1871. d. in Washington, in 1874.
EDWARD, b. 14 Dec. 1873.
ROSINA, b. 14 Dec. 1873. (Twins.) (Burlington Rec. says b. May.)
CHARLES W., b. 11 Oct. 1875.

Mary Jane Blush d. in Washington, 28 Nov., 1893.

Edward Blush, Sr., was an engineer, but gave it up and took a place on the police force at Washington; was afterwards timekeeper in the Treasury Dept. He then left Washington, and his family have not heard from him since.

He is believed to have been b. about 1845, at Williston, Vt.

JOSEPH BLUSH, of Waterbury, Vt., m. 11 Mar., 1824. Prudence Tuttle.

DAN BLUSH m. Letitia Taft, 28 Jany., 1841.
Williston, Vt., Tn. Rec.

Most of the following names and addresses were culled from various city directories, but repeated letters failed to bring replies from most of them.

ANDREW BLISH, dyer. 1635 Bailey St., Philadelphia, Penn. (1891.)

DAVID BLESH, Oakdale, Nebr. Says that the correct name is Blush, but he got it changed in the army.

CHAS. F. BLUSH, 382 E. 4th St., New York City. (1898).

HENRIETTA BLUSH, widow of Anthony, 345 9th Ave. N. Y. City.

CLARK D. BLUSH, 10 Lawrence St., Hartford, Conn (1892).

CHRISTIAN BLUSH, clerk, 654 E. 11th St., N. Y. City.

CADDIE M. BLUSH, Hammond, Louisiana. (1899).

GEORGE BLISH, 550 Norwood St., Cleveland, Ohio. (1897).

ISAAC NEWTON BLISH, Granby, Mass. Has son George A., and dtr. Amy.

JOHN BLUSH, bricklayer, 117 W. Virginia Ave, Denver, Colo. (1891).

JAMES W. BLISH, Port Richey, Florida. (1896).

JOSEPH BLUSH, heater, Cleveland, Ohio. (1897).

LIZZIE BLUSH, 316 13th Ave., Denver, Colo. (1899).

OLIVER L. BLUSH, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. REGINA BLUSH, Bridgeport, Conn. (1896).

R. L. BLUSH, Hammond, Louisiana. (1896).

V. R. BLUSH, R. R. contractor, 512 Quincy St., Topeka, Kansas. (1892).

WILLIAM C. BLUSH, student, 253 Hanover St., Cleveland, Ohio.

FULLER.

EDWARD FULLER,[1] the twenty-first signer of the Mayflower Compact, with his wife, Ann, and his son Samuel, who at that time must have been about five or six years of age, came in the Mayflower, in 1620. Both Edward Fuller and his wife died, according to Gov. Bradford, "soon after they came on shore", and the child Samuel was taken in charge by his uncle, Dr. Samuel Fuller, by whom he was reared. Very little is known concerning Edward Fuller or his wife. They are known to have had two

CHILDREN.

2.+MATTHEW,[2] b. ..... in England.
3.+SAMUEL,[2] b. ..... in England.

The Mayflower Compact is thus spoken of and given by Gov. Bradford:

THE REMAINDER OF AN°: 1620.

"I shal a litle returne backe, and begin with a combination nade by them before they came ashore; being ye first foundation of their governmente in this place. Occasioned partly by ye discontented, and mutinous speeches that some of the strangers amongst them, had let fall from them in ye ship; That when they came ashore they would use their owne libertie; for none had power to comand them, the patente they had being for Virginia, and not for Newengland, which belonged to another government with which ye Virginia Company had nothing to doe. And partly that shuch an Acte by them done (this their condition considered) might be as firme as any patent; and in some respects more sure.

"The forme was as followeth:

"In ye name of God Amen. We whose names are underwritten, the loyall subjects of our dread soveraigne lord King James, by ye grace of God, of Great Britaine, Franc, & Ireland king, defender of ye faith, &c.

"Haveing undertaken, for ye glorie of God, and advancemente of ye christian faith and honour of our king & countrie, a voyage to plant ye Northerne parts of Virginia. Doe by these presents solemnly & mutualy in ye presence of God, and of one another; covenant, & combine our selves togeather into a civill body politick;

for our better ordering, & preservation & furtherance of ye ends aforesaid; and by vertue hearof to enacte, constitute, and frame shuch just & equall lawes, ordinances, Acts, constitutions, & offices from time to time, as shall be thought most meete & convenient for ye generall good, of ye Colonie: unto which we promise all due submission and obedience. In witnes wherof we have hereunder subscribed our names at Cape-Codd ye 11. of November, in ye year of ye raigne of our soveraigne lord king James of England, france, & Ireland ye eighteenth, and of Scotland ye fiftie fourth. An^o Dom. 1620."

Forty-one names are signed to the compact of which Edward Fuller is the twenty-first.

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2. Dr MATTHEW FULLER.

MATTHEW,[2] s. of Edward[1] and Ann Fuller, remained in England, when his parents, with his brother Samuel came over, in 1620. From the ages of his children he must have been married in England. He is said to have had two wives, Hannah..... and Frances.....

CHILDREN, believed to have been born in England.

4. MARY,[3] b. ..... m. 17 Apr. 1655, Ralph Jones, and has many descendants.
5. ELIZABETH,[3] ..... m. 22 Apr. 1652, Moses Rowley, and has many descendants.
6. SAMUEL,[3] b. ..... He was a lieutenant in the Colony forces in King Philip's war, and was killed at Rehoboth 25 Mar. 1676.
7. JOHN,[3] b. ..... in Plymouth. He was a physician of some note and d. in 1691.
8. +ANNE,[3] b. ..... in Plymouth.

Matthew[2] Fuller was one of the prominent men of the old Colony. He remained in England until about 1740. It is not known whether he studied medicine in the old country or after he came over, but he must have been about thirty years of age at that time. By reason of the death of his parents, both he and his brother Samuel[2], were reckoned "among the first born of the Colony", and assigned lands, which would have belonged to their father. In 1642 he had ten acres of land assigned him near Thurston Clark's, in Plymouth.

In 1643 a "military discipline" was established by the Colony Court, embracing the towns of Plymouth, Duxbury and Marshfield. Myles Standish was the Captain and Matthew Fuller one of the Sergeants, which was an office of distinction at that time, as none but freemen of "honest and good report" could be admitted to the company. The strictest discipline was maintained. No conversation was permitted when the company was on parade, and for absence, without sufficient excuse, they were fined, and if not paid, expulsion followed. The equipment required was, a musket, a sword, a rest and a bandillier. All officers were to be ever after known by their titles, and each member paid six pence per quarter for the use of the company. This military discipline was in addition to the regular militia, and was organized on the same plan as the "ancient and honorable artillery of Boston," which is still kept up.

He was the first physician in Barnstable. The exact date of his removal there is uncertain. The court approved his election as Lieutenant of the militia company in Barnstable, 3 Sept. 1652. In 1653, he was deputy from Barnstable to the Colony Court.

1653. 6. Apr., "Leift. Fuller, Sergiant Johnson and John Allen, haue taken the oath of Fidelitie to the Gouernment this Court."

He was propounded for a freeman 3 June, 1652, and admitted as a freeman, 7 June, 1653, "and sworne."

The Court in Decr. 1652, directed the several towns to send deputies to meet the magistrates, 1 Apr. 1653, "to treat and conclude on such military affairs as, through God's blessing, may probably tend to our present and future safety", in consequence of the variances between England and Holland. Barnstable sent Lieut. Fuller and Sergt. Thomas Hinckley. They met, and in May, 1653, the court ordered sixty men to be raised, agreeably to a requisition of the council of war.

1653-4. 7 Mar. * * * "Wee p^r^sent Henry Cole of Barnstable, for pilfering away of the money of Leiftenant Mathew Fuller of Barnstable".

1654. 20 June. He was appointed Lieut. under Capt. Myles Standish, of a company of fifty men, the quota of Plymouth Colony, in a proposed expedition against the Dutch at Manhattoes, now New York. The men were ordered to meet at Sandwich, June 29th. to embark from Manomett in the bark "Adventer",

belonging to Capt. Samuel Mayo, of Barnstable, and join the forces of the other colonies at an appointed place. News of the conclusion of peace between England and Holland was received June 23rd. and the expedition was stopped. The Plymouth Record says:—"The counsell of warr mett att Plymouth the 20th. of June, 1654, att which meeting warrants were issued out in the name of his highnes the Lord Protector of England, Ireland and Scotland, for the pressing of the number of fifty men, to bee taken out of the severall townes within this jurisdiction, to goe forth with Major Robert Sedgwicke and Captain John Leverett, in the intended expedition against the Duch att Manhattoes. * * * This company, well provided for, are to goe forth vnder the comaund of Captaine Myles Standish, whoe is ordered to bee theire comaunder in chiefe, and Leiftenant Mathew Fuller was ordered to goe forth with him as leiftenantt of this expedition. * * *"

1658. 13 Feby. He was on the coroner's jury at the inquest held on the body of the child of Nicholas Davis, two years old, found drowned.

1658. 2 Oct. He was elected one of the "Councell of Warr", and in 1671, was its chairman, and one of the magistrates of the Colony, and the same year was Lieut. of forces to be sent against the Saconet Indians.

1661. 4 June. "Whereas at the court held att Plymouth on March fift, 1660, libertie was giuen vnto Mr. John Howland, Anthony Annable, Isake Robinson, Capt. Nathaniel Thomas, Samuel Fuller, Abraham Peirse and Peter Blossom to purchase lands at Saconeeset and places adjacent, on condition that they should take in sundry others with them to haue an equall interest in such lands and to beare equall charges with them, viz: Mr. Samuel Hinckley, leiftenant Mathew Fuller, John Cooper, Henry Cobb, John Jenkins, of Barnstable, and Samuel Fuller, William Nelson, John Morton and Thomas Burman, of Plymouth, this court doth establish and further confirm that which the court in March did in the premises."

1670. Capt. Matth. Fuller's name appears on a list of Inhabitants of Barnstable, with titles.

1673. 17 Dec. He was appointed Surgeon General of the Colony troops, and also of Massachusetts, if that Colony approved.

1675. 28 June. Capt. Fuller was at Swanzey with troops, in the war against King Philip. The Plymouth forces passed over to Pocassett, found a body of Indians and had a skirmish with them. Capt. Fuller was in command and after hard fighting drew off, after inflicting severe losses on the enemy. The Indians retreated to Pocassett swamps and were held at bay until the return of the Massachusetts troops. Major Cudworth and Capt. Fuller were at Dartmouth with 112 men; others were stationed around the swamps, where they had Philip and his men entrapped. On July 5th. it was determined to march all Massachusetts troops into the Narragansett country. Major Cudworth and Capt. Matthew Fuller had pursued Philip into Pocassett.

In 1675, Dr. Fuller was allowed 4 Shillings a day for his services as Surgeon General and for "other good services performed in behalf of his country", he having acted as Captain of a company in addition to his surgical duties. In the drawing of lands awarded to the soldiers in King Philip's war, in Narragansett Township, (now Gorham, Me.) Dr. Matthew Fuller, of Barnstable, drew lot 69.

Dr. Matthew Fuller was a man of liberal opinions and very outspoken for the day in which he lived, which trait frequently got him into trouble with the authorities, but for which he was seldom punished, an apology usually condoning the offense. His temper was rash, but his personal bravery was never questioned. In the Quaker controversy he took a noble stand in favor of religious toleration. At the October Court, 1658, he was presented by the grand inquest for saying that the new law for supporting the clergy by a compulsory tax was "a wicked and devilish law, and the devil sat at the stern when it was enacted". He did not deny saying it, and was fined 50 shillings. It is a singular coincidence, that at the same court at which he was presented and fined for disrespect to the court, that he was made one of the Council of War. They evidently knew him to be honorable and brave, notwithstanding his hot temper and indiscreet utterances.

In private life and in his business relations he was inclined to be dictatorial and litigious. His weaknesses seem to have been so well understood that they were overlooked, in view of the many good services he had rendered for his country and community.

The farms of Matthew Fuller and his brother Samuel,[2] were on Scorton Neck, at the north-west angle of the town. Soon after the settlement the town bought of Secunke, an Indian,

Scorton Neck, and the arable land at the west end was assigned to the Fullers. The western end of the Neck was bought by the town of Sandwich, and a dispute as to the boundary arose, which was not settled until after Dr. Fuller's death, which occurred in 1678.

His will is dated 20 July, 1678, and was proven 30 Oct. following. He mentions his wife Frances; his grand-son Shubael, son of Ralph Jones; his son John, to whom he bequeathed one-half of his real estate; his grand-children Thomas, Jabez, Timothy, Matthias and Samuel, children of his eldest son Samuel,[3] to whom he bequeathed the other half of his estate; and Bethia, wife of John Fuller. To daughter Mary, wife of Ralph Jones, he gave £10; to daughter Anne Fuller, "now wife of Samuel Fuller", £10; to daughter Elizabeth, wife of Moses Rowley, £10. He also names Sarah Rowley, daughter of Elizabeth; Jedediah Jones, son of Ralph; Mary Fuller, late wife of his son Samuel; Robert Marshall, the Scotchman, and Jasper Taylor. His wife Frances is made executrix. The witnesses to the will were Lieut. Joseph Lothrop and John Hawes. His estate was appraised at £667-04-06, a large estate for those times. Among the items in the inventory are "Pearls, precious stones and Diamonds, £200".*

Some question has been raised at different times as to the kinship of Matthew and Samuel Fuller. The proof is not strong, but it is convincing. They lived together at a remote corner of the town. Lands were assigned to both Samuel and Matthew Fuller as "first-born" of the Colony, and there is nothing to show any right to Matthew Fuller, unless he was a son of Edward[3] of the Mayflower; again Matthew and Samuel Fuller lived near together, at a remote corner of the town, which would indicate some bond of consanguinity, especially viewing the fact that the men were very unlike in habits and disposition; further, in the settlement of the boundary line question, after the death of Dr. Matthew Fuller, his son, Dr. John[3] Fuller, calls Samuel Fuller,[2] Sr. his

*In connection with this box of jewels, there is a strange story. Soon after Matthew Fuller's death it was missing. Robert Marshall, the Scotch servant was charged with having stolen it, merely on suspicion. The charge so affected him that he took no food and finally died from grief and starvation. He died in the winter and was buried on a declivity of Scorton Hill. For two centuries the plow has not desecrated his grave, and a few years ago Capt. Oliver Chase placed two stones at his grave, one at the head and one at the foot. Many stories were told of the appearance of the Scotchman's ghost, and timorous people dare not pass the place after night-fall.

uncle. No record is known to exist as to the dates or places of birth of the children of Matthew Fuller. Mrs. Haxtun, in her work on the Signers of the Mayflower Compact, and Freeman in the History of Cape Cod, say that he had two wives. Otis, in his Barnstable Families, regards this as uncertain.

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3. SAMUEL[2] FULLER.

SAMUEL,[2] s. of Edward[1] and Ann Fuller, was b..... in England. He was m. 8 Apr. 1635, at Mr. Cudworth's, by Capt. Miles Standish, to Jane, the eldest dtr. of Rev. John Lothropp. She was bap. 29 Sept. 1614, at Edgerby, Kent, England.

CHILDREN, born in Scituate, Mass.

9. HANNAH,[3] ..... m. 1 Jany. 1658-9. *Nicholas Bonham.*
10. +SAMUEL,[3] bap. 11 Feby., 1637-8. m. his cousin, *Anne*, dtr. of Matthew Fuller.
11. ELIZABETH,[3] b. ..... m. ..... Taylor.
12. SARAH,[3] bap. in Barnstable, 1 Aug. 1641. died young.

CHILDREN, born in Barnstable, Mass.

13. MARY,[3] bap. 16 June, 1644. m. 18 Nov. 1674, *Joseph Williams*, s. of John of Haverhill. He was b. 18 Apr. 1647. Their children were—Sarah, b. 17 Nov. 1675; Mary, b. 29 Nov. 1677; John, b. 17 Feby. 1680, and Hannah, b. 30 Sept. 1683.
14. THOMAS,[3] b. 18 May, 1650. Bap. 18 May, 1651. Probably d. young.
15. SARAH,[3] b. 14 Dec. 1654. m. ..... Crow.
16. JOHN,[3] b. ..... He was called "Little John" to distinguish him from John, s. of Matthew Fuller.
17. A Child, unnamed, 8 Feby. 1658. d. 15 days after birth.

Samuel[2] Fuller was reared by his uncle Dr. Samuel Fuller, of Plymouth, the first physician of the Colony. He had three shares in the division of the lands in 1624, in right of his father and mother. He was executor of his uncle's will in 1633, and was made a freeman of the Colony in 1634. He removed to Scituate prior to his marriage, and united with the church there, 7 Nov. 1636, by letter from Plymouth. He built, in 1636, the fifteenth house in Scituate, on Greenfield, the first lot abutting on Kent street. He had 20 acres of land on the east of Bellhouse Neck, in Scituate. Deane, in his history, calls him "a man from Kent", whence many of the first settlers in Barnstable came.

He was one of the "associates", who obtained a grant in Oct. 1639, for a settlement at Mattakeese, between Yarmouth and

Sandwich. This settlement was commenced chiefly by people from Scituate, and became eventually the town of Barnstable.

Samuel Fuller, as it appears from the church records, was in Barnstable as early as 1641, but there is no proof that he was an inhabitant, until after the first of January, 1644, though his name is in the list of families that came with Rev. John Lothropp in 1639 He and his brother, Matthew, owned lands at Scorton or Sandy Neck, or as much as lay within the town of Barnstable. Samuel Fuller also bought of his brother Matthew a meadow that was Major John Freeman's, and owned land on Scorton Hill. He lived in the north-west angle of the town, and was very little engaged in public matters. He was constable in Scituate in 1641, and his name occasionally appears as a juryman. He was on the committee to settle difficulties that arose with the Indians, and in 1640 was one of the 58 "purchasers", as that company was called, who bought out the rights of the London merchants, called the "adventurers".

He was one of those to whom liberty was given in 1660, to purchase lands at Saconeeset, or Succonesset, where he was assigned eight acres in 1661. He was the only one of the Mayflower passengers, who settled in Barnstable. In 1679, there were only 12 of the Mayflower passengers living, of which he was one. He d. 31 Oct. 1683, at Barnstable. His will, dated 29 Oct. 1683, names oldest son, Samuel, son John, daughters, Elizabeth Taylor, Hannah Bonham, Mary Williams and Sarah Crow. His wife, not being named, had probably died prior to his making the will.

WILL OF SAMUEL FULLER.

The last Will and Testament of Samuell ffuller of Barnstable Late Deceased Exhibited to the Court held att Plymouth the fift of June 1684 on the oath of Capt. Josepth Laythorp and Mr Samuell Allin as followeth:

The nine and twentyeth Day of October in the yeer of our Lord one thousand six hundred eighty and three; I Samuell ffuller senir of the Towne of Barnstable in the Govrment of New Plymouth being ancient and very weake in body but of good and Compitent memory thankes be unto allmighty God; and Calling to remembrance the uncertaine state of this transitory life and that all fflesh muste yeild unto Death when it shall please God to

Call, Doe make ordaine & Constitute & Declare this my last will and Testament in Manor and form following:

Revoking and Anulling by these presents all and every Testament and Testaments will and wills heertofore by mee made and declared either by word or wrighting; and this to be taken onely for my last will and Testament and none other; and first I give and Comitt my soul unto almighty God my Savour in whom and by the meritts of Jesus Christ I trust and believe assuredly to be saved; and my body to the earth; from whence it was taken to be buried in such Decent and Christian manor as to my executors heerafter Named shalbe thought meet and Convenient; and Now for the settleing of my temporall estate and such goods Cattles and Debtes as it hath pleased God farr above my deserts to bestow upon mee; I Doe order Give and Dispose the same in Manor and forme following: That is to say first I will that all those Debts and Dutyes as I owe in right or Conscience to any manor of p^r^son or p^r^sons whatsoever shalbe well and truely Contented and payed or ordained to be payed within Convenient time after my Decease by my executors heerafter Named;

Item. I give and bequeath to my eldest son Samuell ffuller two p^r^sells of Marsh one of them I bought of m^r^ Samuell house Deceased and the other I bought of Captaine Matthew ffuller Deceased that hee had of m^r^ John ffreman;

Item. I give and bequeath to my son John ffuller four acrees of Marsh and one halfe which I bought of Peter Blossome.

Item. I give and bequeath that p^r^cell of Marsh that lyes by Ralph Jones, his Marsh, To my two sones Sanuell ffuller and John ffuller to be equally Devided betwixt and one p^r^cell of Marsh that lyeth on this side Scoton ffeildes to be Devided as abovesaid and the angle Lotts of Marsh att Scoton point to be equally Devided between them alsoe and alsoe the Eelcreik Lott of Marsh to be alike Devided as above specifyed and the Lott of Marsh att Sandy neck upon the same accoumpt alsoe; and all my upland upon Scoton Neck to be equally Devided betwixt them as the other above Mensioned.

Item. I give to my son Samuell ffuller all of my upland that lyeth above my uppermost ffeild and to range quite Crosse my land upon one and the same lyne as the uppermost ffence as my upmost feild Now ranges, but alwaies to allow Cart wayes to the Comons into the Comons for his brother John ffuller his heires and assignes.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my son John ffuller my now

Dwellinghouse orchyard and all outhousing and all the rest of my upland wherever it doth lye, but alwaies to allow a Cart way into the meddowes for his brother Samuell ffuller his heires and assignes.

Item. I Give and bequeath to my son John ffuller one three yeer old horse runing in the woods;

Item. I Give and bequeath to my son Samuell ffuller two mares runing in the woods;

Item. I Give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Taylor five pound in Mony and two Cowes;

Item. I Give unto my Daughter hannah Bonham four pounds in Money and two Cowes;

Item. I Give unto my Daughter Mary Williams four pounds in Money and two Cowes;

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Crowe four pounds in Mony and two Cowes;

Item. I Give and bequeath unto my four Daughters hannah Bonham Mary Williams Elizabeth Tayler and Sarah Crow all my household Stuffe to be equally Dvided betwixt them;

Item. I Give and bequeath to my son John ffuller the Indian Joell; my p^rte in the oxen the Cart and plow and the Cart and plow Geares and working tooles and one fatt Cow that is to kill and my bald faced horse; and my Great bible;

Item. I Give and bequeath to my two sons Samuell ffuller and John ffuller all the rest of my Neat Cattle to be Devided To my son Samuell one third p^rte; and to my son John ffuller the other two third p^rtes; and all my sheep to be equally Devided betwixt them;

Item. I Give and bequeath to my son Samuell ffuller ten pounds on mony which he now owes to mee and hath now hath it alredy; and all the rest of my estate in what kind soever it be I Give and bequeath to my two sones Samuell ffuller and John ffuller; to be Devided to my son Samuell ffuller one third p^rte therof and to my son John ffuller the other two third p^rtes therof, and by these p^rsents make ordaine & Declare this my last Will and Testament; In Witness wherof I the said Samuell ffuller have heerunto sett my hand and seale the Date above written;

Samuell ffuller and a seal.

Witnesse

Joseph Laythorp.

Samuell Allin.

Captaine Joseph Laythorpe made oth as a witness to this will before the Court held att Plymouth the fift of March 1683/84.

Mr Samuell Allin Made oath as a witness to this Will above written this 10th of March 1683/84 before mee Barnabas Laythorpe Assistant.

SAMUEL FULLER'S INVENTORY.

A TRUE INVENTORY of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Credits ꝓ Samuell ffuler senir late of the Towne of Barnstable in the Govrment of New Plymouth in New England Deceased praysed att his house in Barnstable aforesaid and the 14 Day of November in the year of our Lord 1683 by Joseph Laythorpe and Jededia Jones as followeth;

Impri his apparrell	08	08	00
Item in cash	17	07	00
Item in 3 Guns amunition shoe Naïles & a peece of Lether	02	09	00
Item in Lynnin	03	10	00
Item in pewter and ten	02	05	00
Item in brasse	02	05	06
Item in trayes, Chern a tubb and a spoon and an old warming pan	00	17	06
Item Iron potts tonges slice frying pan and Candlesticke	01	19	00
Item a Cobbord old Chists a box & bedstead	03	15	00
Item tables and Chaires bottles & old Gridjron	00	17	00
Item looking Lanthorne & buccett	00	05	06
Item a feather bed bolster and two pillowes three blanketts a Coverlid & 2 ruggs	07	00	00
Item a peece of New holland other peeces of linnen serge and Cotton remnant of homade Cloth	02	18	00
Item a Shirt Capps yarne sisers thrid	00	01	02
Item 2 seives a hatt and a tray	00	06	00
Item in beese and hunny	01	00	00
Item in old Cask basketts beer barrels a rundleit	00	12	00
Item in Corn in the & in the barne	03	10	00
Item in Corne in the Cribb	03	07	00
Item in butter and Cheese	04	00	00
Item in beefe and pork tallow & hyde & hoggs fatt	05	00	00
Item in sheeps woole feathers Tobacco baggs earthen Dish brimston	01	09	00
Item in Neat Cattle	27	00	00
Item in Sheep	04	00	00
Item in swine	00	15	00
Item in horse kind	04	10	00
Item the Cart wheels plow Irons & Gears therunto belonging	01	13	00
Item saddle bridle and horse Geares	00	08	06
Item Sheep Sheers adds & other tools	00	09	00
These sumes underneath are brought to the Inventor the 25 of ffebruary, 1683, Apprised by Jedediah Jones above Mensioned Coming not to mind before:			
Item in boards att	01	07	00
Item in a hatchell	00	05	00
Item in skines a paire of Scales	00	05	00
Item in bookes	01	04	00
Item in Geese	00	13	00
Item an old tecken att	00	05	00
the totall is	116	05	09

The lands & housing not prised

Johu ffuller made oath to the truth of this Inventory this 25 day of ffebrewary, 1683-84 before Thomas Hinckley Govr John Thacher Assistant

Samuel[2] Fuller was of an entirely different disposition from his brother Matthew, being eminently pious and retired in his habits. He was a good citizen and neighbor, a sincere christian, and made rone of the mistakes which got his more impetuous brother into trouble at times. His record, while not brilliant, is spotless.

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10. SAMUEL[3] FULLER.

SAMUEL,[3] s. of Samuel[2] and Jane (Lothropp) Fuller, was bap. 11 Feby. 1637-8. He m. ....., Anne, dtr. of Dr. Matthew Fuller, and his cousin.

CHILDREN.

18.+MATTHEW,[4] b. .....
19. BARNABAS,[4] b. ..... m. 25 Feby. 1680-1, *Elizabeth Young.*
20. JOSEPH,[4] b. ..... m. *Thankful Blossom.*
21. BENJAMIN,[4] b. .....
22. DESIRE,[4] b. .....
23. SARAH,[4] b. .....

There is no record of the family of Samuel Fuller in Barnstable. An inventory of his estate was taken at his house in Barnstable, 29 Dec. 1691. It would appear that he had then been dead some time, and that his widow had recently died, and her estate was settled by mutual agreement on the 30th. day of the same month. All of the heirs sign by mark, indicating that they had received no schooling. It is presumed that they were then all of legal age, and their names occur in the order above set forth.

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18. MATTHEW[4] FULLER.

MATTHEW,[4] s. of Samuel[3] and Anne (Fuller) Fuller, m. 25 Feby. 1692-3, Patience Young, probably dtr. of George Young, of Scituate, Mass.

CHILDREN.

24.+ANNE,[5] b. ..... Nov. 1693.
25. JONATHAN,[5] b. ..... Oct. 1696. m. 3 Mar. 1718, *Rebecca Perry of* Sandwich.
26. CONTENT,[5] b. 19 Feb. 1698-9.
27. JEAN,[5] b. ..... 1704. d. 1708.
28. DAVID,[5] b. ..... Feby. 1706-7.
29. YOUNG,[5] b. ..... 1708.
30. CORNELIUS,[5] b. ..... 1710.

Very little is shown of this family in the Barnstable records, and they probably removed soon after 1710.

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24. ANNE[5] (FULLER) BLISH.

ANNE,[5] dtr. of Matthew[4] and Patience (Young) Fuller, was b....Nov. 1693, in Barnstable, Mass. She m. 17 Oct. 1717, Tristram, s. of Joseph and Hannah (Hull) Blish. He was b. ... Apr. 1694, at W. Barnstable, Mass.

CHILDREN, born in Barnstable.

42. BENJAMIN[6] BLISH, b. 6 June, 1718.
43. ANNA or HANNAH[6] BLISH, b. 10 Nov. 1719. d. at Colchester, Conn.
44. SYLVANUS[6] BLISH, b. 13 Oct. 1721.
45. THANKFUL[6] BLISH, b. 3 Sept. 1725.

CHILDREN, born at Colchester, Conn.

46. JOHN[6] BLISH, b. ..... 1727.
47. JOSEPH[6] BLISH, b. 1 Dec. 1729.
48. PATIENCE[6] BLISH, b. 2 Feby. 1730.
49. DAVID[6] BLISH, b. ..... 1732.
50. MARY[6] BLISH, b. 8 Mar. 1736.

Otis has Anne Fuller married to Reuben[3] Blish, but in this he is contradicted by the Barnstable records and by Freeman's History of Cape Cod. Reuben[3] Blish, the brother of Tristram, m. 25 Jany. 1717, Elizabeth Bodfish, and the next Reuben[4] was not born until 1721. (*See ante p.* 35).

Among the treasured relics at Plymouth, is the Fuller cradle, which was brought over in the Mayflower. It is doubtless genuine or it never would have been placed in the collection. None of these relics are ever permitted to be removed. No inducements from loan exhibits or expositions of any kind, no matter what the object may be, have ever been able to secure any of them. Another relic, which it is claimed belongs to the Fuller line, is a carved oaken chest, which was recently in the possession of Mrs.

Maria L. Reid, wife of Rev. Louis H. Reid, of Hartford, Conn.

In tracing the Fuller lines above given, the compiler has only endeavored to connect them with his own family. Those desiring further information, are referred to authorities given below, and to the published genealogies of the family.

References.—*Barnstable, Mass. Tn. & Probate Recs., Freeman's History of Cape Cod, Vol.* 1, *pp.* 139, 152, 206, 207, 229, 239, 271, 279. *Vol.* 2, *pp.* 154, 244, 265, 268, 271, 272, 324, 422, 424, 476, 485. *Otis' Barnstable Families, pp.* 371 *to* 384. *Plymouth Colony Rec., Vol. III, pp.* 8, 17, 24, 30, 31, 47, 49, 55, 70, 72, 127, 147, 150, 153, 216. *Goodwin's Pilgrim Republic, pp.* 338, 339, 607. *Soldiers in King Philip's War, pp.* 27, 28, 30, 48, 183, 348, 350, 459, 462. *Mrs. Haxtun's Signers of the Mayflower Compact, pp.* 19 *and* 20. *N. E. Gen. Regr. IX p.* 287. *Mayflower Descendant, Vol.* 1 *pp.* 10, 16, 78, 79. *Vol.* 2, *pp.* 237-241. *Plymouth Col. Wills &c. Vol.* 4, *Part II, pp.* 138-9.

REV. JOSEPH HULL.

Little is known of the early history of Joseph Hull. The following record was found in 1870, in the Public Record Office in London, and first published in the N. E. Gen. Register.

WAYMOUTH, ye 20th of March, 1635. Bound for New England.
1. Joseph[1] Hall, of Somerss[t] a minist[r] aged 40 yeare.
2. Agnis Hall, his wife, aged 25 yre.
3. Joane[2] Hall His daught[r] aged 15 yeare.
4. Joseph[2] Hall, his sonne, aged 13 yeare.
5. Tristram[2] Hall, his son, aged 11 yeare.
6. Elizabeth[2] Hall, his daught[r] age 7 yeare.
7. Temperance[2] his daunghtr aged 9 yeare.
8. Grissel[2] Hull, his daught[r] aged 5 yeare.
9. Dorothy[2] Hull, his daught[r] aged 3 yeare.
10. Judeth French, his servant, aged 20 yeare.
11. John Wood, his servant, aged 20 yeare.
12. Robert Dabyn, his servant, aged 28 yeare

(*Hatton's Lists, p.* 285. *Hist. Magazine, Vol. III. pp.* 261 & 330. *N. E. Gen. & Hist. Regr. Vol. XXV. p.* 13. *Pope's Pioneers of Mass. p.* 247.)

While the first of the record has the name Hall, the names of the last two children are given as Hull. That it is the family

of the Rev. Joseph Hull can hardly be doubted, when all of the circumstances are considered: 1. That Joseph Hull was a minister; 2. that the name of his wife was Agnes; 3. that his daughter Joanna (Joane) m. John Bursley; 4. that his daughter Elizabeth m. John Heard; 5. that he had a son Tristram, whose history is well established; all of which correspond with the names given in the list as Hall; 6. a search of records and indexes fails to show any Joseph Hall arriving in this country at or near the time given; 7. 5 May, 1635, is given as the date when Joseph Hull, and 21 other families came over and settled at Wessaguscus, later Weymouth, Mass., which would be about the time they should have arrived, after shipping March 20. same year.

CHILDREN of Rev. Joseph Hull.

Born in England and came over with their father.
1. JOANNA[3], b. ....., 1620.
2. JOSEPH[3], b. ..... 1622.
3.+TRISTRAM[3], b. ....., 1624.
4. TEMPERANCE[3], b. ....., 1626.
5. ELIZABETH[3], b. ....., 1628.
6. GRISSELL[3], b. ....., 1630.
7. DOROTHY[3], b. ....., 1632.
Born in America.
8. NAOMI[3], bap. 23 Mar. 1639.
9. RUTH[3], bap. 9 May, 1641. (*N. E. Gen. Regr. IX* 282, 287.)

Judging by the shipping record Mr. Hull must have been twice married; the age of his wife Agnes is there given as twenty-five, and she probably was not the mother of more than the two youngest children who came in the ship, aged five and three years respectively.

The Colony Court made a grant, 4 June, 1639, "to Mr. Joseph Hull and Thomas Dimoc, with their associates, to erect a plantation or town at or about a place called by the Indians Mattacheese". This was the beginning of the town of Barnstable. (*Freeman*, 1-139). On the 11th. of October, 1639, Rev. John Lothropp and many of his congregation came from Scituate and located here.

The first day of Thanksgiving is thus chronicled by Mr. Lothropp: "Decemb. 11. 1639, att Mr. Hull's house, for God's exceeding mercye in bringing us hither Safely, keeping us healthy & well in o^r weake beginnings & in o^r church estate. The day being very cold, o^r praises to God in publique being ended, wee devided into three companies to feast togeather, some att Mr. Hull's,

some att Mr. Maio's and some att Brother Lumbard's Senior." (*N. E. Gen. Regr. X.* 39. *Freeman,* 2-246).

The first deputies to the court at Plymouth, from Barnstable, were Mr. Joseph Hull and Mr. Thomas Dimoc, who took their seats the first Thursday in December, 1639. (*Freeman,* 2-148.)

Of the early history of Joseph Hull very little is known. In Mather's Magnalia his name is placed in his "first classis", that is "such as were in the actual exercise of their ministry, when they left England." It is known that Mr. Hull first preached at Weymouth, and his farewell discourse there was given in May, 1639, the same month he came to Barnstable, Elder Thomas Dimmock having preceded him in March of the same year. At that time the Indians on the Cape numbered over five hundred. They were Pokonokets and acknowledged the supremacy of Massasoit, as their great sachem. They were divided into numerous tribes, each of which was ruled by its own sagamore. Iyannough, the sachem of the Mattakeset Indians, had been dead for some fifteen years, and his territory was divided among many claimants. He had no child old enough to succeed him. Yanno, the sachem from whom Tristram Hull bought lands for the town, in 1664, probably claimed through him. The sachem at Hyannis was called "John Hianna." Paupmunnucks was the sachem of the Massapee or Marshpee tribe, in the southwest part of the town, and Secuncke was sachem of the Scorton tribe, at west Barnstable. Sandwich had been settled two years and Yarmouth less than one, when Mr. Hull came to Barnstable. There were in the plantation about fifteen families, settled in two villages, one near Meeting House Hill and the other near Coggin's pond. Mr. Hull and Mr. Dimmock laid out the lands between the two villages, into lots, and those who came with Mr. Hull settled thereon. Mr. Hull's house was on the road opposite the ancient burial ground. Though unquestionably a minister of the gospel, his name does not appear upon the church records either as pastor or teacher. On April 15th, 1640, he assisted Rev. John Lothropp and Mr. Cobb at the ordination of the Rev. John Mayo as teacher elder of the church. (*N. E. Gen. Regr. X, p.* 37. *Otis' Barnstable Families.*)

Precisely what was Mr. Hull's ecclesiastical position seems uncertain. According to Mr. Lothropp's diary he was excommunicated. "Mr. Hull excommunnicated for his willfull breake-

ing of communion wt us & joyning himselfe a member wt a companie at Yarmouth to be their Pastour, contrarie to ye advise and Counsell of or Church, May 1. 1641". (*N. E. Gen. Regr. X p.* 41). A warrant was issued by the Court at Plymouth, 7 Mar. 1642-3, as follows: "It is ordered that a warrant shalbe directed to the Constable of Yarmouth to appʰend Mr. Joseph Hull, (if he do either exercise the ministery amongst them or administer seales), to bring him before the next magistrate to fynd sufficient sureties for his apparance the next Geñall court, to answare his doings beiñ an excomunicant." (*Plym. Col. Rec. II. p.* 53. *Freeman,* 1-172.) This warrant was never served, and Mr. Hull was received back into the church, as shown by the following entry of Mr. Lothropp:—"Mr. Hull in the acknowledgeing his sinn & renueing his covenaunt was received again into fellowship with us, Aug. 10, 1643." (*N. E. Gen. Regr. X p.* 41.). His wife seems to have been subjected to the same discipline,—"Our Syster Hull renewed her covenaunt with us, renounceing her joyning with them at Yarmouth, confessing her evil in soe doeing wt sorrow, Mar. 11. 1642." (*N. E. Gen. Regr. X p.* 39).

It is difficult to understand the stand taken by Rev. John Lothropp and others against Mr. Hull, who seems to have not only been an energetic man, but also a sincere Christian. He desisted from preaching at Yarmouth after the court had forbidden him, and in the spring of 1643, removed to Dover. The odium attached to the prosecution seems to have followed him there, as Gov. Winthrop says under date of May 10, 1643, when articles of confederation were adopted by the Colonies, "Those of Sir Ferdinando Gorge his province beyond Pascataquack, were not received or called into the confederation, because they ran adiferent from us both in their ministry and civil administration; for they had lately made Acomenticus, (Dover), a poor village, a corporation, and had made a taylor their mayor, and had entertained one Hull, an excommunicated person and very contentious, their minister." This illustrates the old saying of giving a dog a bad name and every one will kick at him. He had been received into full fellowship at Barnstable, before going to Dover. Mr. John Bursley, who had married his daughter, Joanna, traded with the eastern Indians at Dover, and the removal of Mr. Hull there was likely induced by him. Cotton Mather speaks of him as "a reverend minister." Just how long he remained at Dover is uncertain. Gov. Winthrop mentions him as minister at Dover in 1646, and Bishop mentions him as being minister at Dover or Oyster River, which were near together. Bishop says that Mary Tomp-

kins and Alice Ambrose, on the Sabbath, attended Mr. Hull's place of worship, and both standing up "before the old man, he began to be troubled; and having spoken against woman's preaching, he was confounded, and knew not well what to say, whereupon Mary standing up declared the truth to the people." (*Bishop's Quaker Persecutions.*) She was put down and carried out of the house, and Bishop says, that in the melee "the Priest pinched her arm." That this was anything serious, may be doubted. No doubt that Mr. Hull, seeing his meeting invaded by Quakers, who insisted on speaking, would naturally resent such interference. In the afternoon the Quakers held a separate meeting, which was not molested. A little time after this he removed to the Isles of Shoals, and preached in a meeting house on Hog Island, which had been built in 1641. From a mention in Neal's History of New England, it appears that he went there prior to 1659. He died 19 Nov. 1665, which would make him about sixty-nine or seventy years old, if the shipping record states his age correctly. Mr. Otis has diligently collected all references to Mr. Hull, and concludes that the opinion expressed by Gov. Winthrop is erroneous and misleading. (*Otis' Barnstable Families.*)

The salary paid Mr. Hull was inadequate for the support of his large family, and he engaged in agriculture, especially the raising of cattle and horses for market. It appears that he took care of cattle sent out from England, for a portion of the increase, which was a common practice at that time. Without doubt the extensive salt meadows and greater facilities for raising cattle was the strongest inducement for people to remove to Barnstable, or Mattakeset, as it was then called. After the coming of Mr. John Lothropp and his congregation, they assumed control of municipal affairs, and as Mr. Dimmock and others of the first comers, preferred the preaching of Mr. Lothropp, Mr. Hull was left with a small follownig. He was blamed for selling land to Samuel Hinckley, which the town afterward took possession of, and Mr. Hinckley sued him for damages. Mr. Hull offered to settle, but Mr. Hinckley took the matter into court. The decision of the court was exactly in accord with the offer which Mr. Hull had made, that he should refund to Mr. Hinckley 20 shillings and that the town should return one half of the land. As this was the only law suit in which his name appears, it cannot be truthfully said that he was "a contentious man." (*Plym. Col. Rec. II* 44.)

In Yarmouth the Rev. Marmaduke Matthews, a Welchman, was the settled minister. He was witty and learned, but not distinguished for depth of thought or sound judgment. Many of his parishoners were dissatisfied with him as a minister, among whom were Dr. Thomas Starr, Mr. William Nickerson, Hugh Tilley and Joshua Barnes. Undoubtedly these and others invited Mr. Hull to Yarmouth, and in the spring of 1641, he removed and was pastor of a small congregation, composed partly of his Barnstable friends and the opponents of Mr. Matthews. For thus presuming to worship God in the manner and place they desired, the church in Barnstable, under the leadership of Rev. John Lothropp, hurled letters of excommunication against Mr. Hull and those who dared to follow him. These letters having no perceptible effect, the power of the civil magistrates was invoked, and in March, 1642-3, a warrant was issued for the arrest of Mr. Hull, for the crime of preaching at Yarmouth, "he being an excommunicated person." Rather than continue the contention, and for the sake of peace, he desisted, and was taken back into full communion by the Barnstable church. His subsequent settlement at Dover seems to have given offense to Gov. Winthrop, who was evidently prejudiced against him, which fact should greatly modify his estimate of his character. Had he been a bad man, or a "contentious man," he would hardly have been taken back by the Barnstable people, and Mr. Lothropp in his diary, nowhere speaks of him as such. He seems to have found peace in the Isles of Shoals, where he spent his last years.

Mr. Savage says of Mr. Hull, "It is necessary to follow the poor man to the Isles of Shoals, Maine, where, not long before his death, 19 Nov. 1665, he had been preaching, as his widow, Agnes, showed in her Inventory of his estate, 'The Isle owes him for his ministry, £20." This inventory foots up £52-5-5, of which £10 is for books.

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3. TRISTRAM[2] HULL.

TRISTRAM, the third child of Rev. Joseph Hull, was b. in England about 1624, and came to America with his father in. 1635, at the age of eleven years. From some of the early records it would appear that he was somewhat wayward in his younger days, but later settled down and became a prominent and useful citizen. The following records tell their own story.

1641. 1 Mar. Among the list of people fined, etc.

"Tristram Hull of Yarmouth, for vnclean practices." (*Plym. Col. Rec. II.* 36.)

In 1643, Tristram Hull was in Yarmouth, and is mentioned as one of the persone liable to bear arms; The town having been ordered to "Provide a place of defense against sudden assault." (*Freeman*, 1-182.)

1647. 1 June. Constables of Yarmouth: Tristrã Hull. (*Plym. Col. Rec. II.* 115.)

1651. 5 June. "Ppounded to take vp theire freedom:

Tristram Hull. Abra'm Blush." (*Plym Col. Rec. II.* 167.)

1652. The wife of Tristram Hull, of Barnstable, "for interfering with the service of a domestic in Mr. Samuel Mayo's family, was warned by the court to desist and carry herself better for the future. (*Freeman*, 1-205.)

1654 May. Tristram Hull admitted as a freeman and Sworn. (*Plym. Col. Rec. III.* 5.)

1655. Presentments of the Grand Enquest.

"Wee p^r^sent John Gorum for vnseamly carriage towards Blanch Hull at vnseasonable time, being in the night.

"Wee p^r^sent Blanch Hull for not crying out when shee was assaulted by John Gorum in vnseamly carriage towards her vpon her owne relation. (*Plym. Col. Rec. III.* 97.)

1656-7. 3 Feby. Nicholas Upsall was accused of holding meetings and inveighing against ministers and magistrates. Tristram Hull who brought him into this Government, is according to order required to carry him away again by the first of March next." (*Plym. Col. Rec. III.* 111.)

1656-7. 5 Mar. "A warrant was directed requiring the constables of Sandwidge and Barnstable, from one to the other, to convey Nicholas Vpisall to Tristram Hull to bee recaried out of the goũment." (*Plym. Col. Rec. III.* 113.)

About 1657, the spirit of intolerance against Quakers seems to have become openly and deeply manifest. Manly complaints were made against them, and they were arrested, fined, whipped,

imprisoned or sent out of the colony. It was ordered by the court, that Nicholas Upsall, "the instigator of all this mischief, be carried out of the government, by Tristum Hull, who brought him in."

Upsall was a member of a Boston church, and a very old man. Disapproving of the Quaker persecution, he had been arrested, fined £20, and banished on the charge of having "reproached the magistrates and spoken against the law." He went to Plymouth, where, alas, the laws forbade the people, under severe penalties, to receive or entertain him. In his extremity, he met Tristram Hull, and was permitted to accompany him on his return to the Cape, at least as far as Sandwich. For this Hull was haled before the court and fined and compelled to take Upsall away. However culpable he may have been under the stringent laws of the times, and whatever may have been his other delinquencies, the descendants of Tristram Hull will honor his goodness of heart and broad humanity in the stand he took. (*Freeman*, 1-222.)

1658. 13 Feb. Tristram Hull was on the coroner's jury at the inquest held on the body of a two-year old child of Nicholas Davis, found drowned. (*Plym. Col. Rec. III.* 146-7.)

1660-1. 5 Mar. A black horse was cryed att this court, which was the horse which was in controversy betwixt Tristram Hull and Mr. Thomas Bourn. This is referred to the court of Assistants to bee holden in May next to bee fully ended. 10 s. allowed to Tristram Hull for charges for attendance about this horse." (*Plym. Col. Rec. III.* 208.)

1661. 4 June. "Tristram Hull was a constable in Barnstable.

1662-3 Mar. "Att this court Josias Hallott and Thomas Starr, for goeing into the house of John Done Junir att Eastham, there being nobody att Home and behauing themselues vnciuilly therein, ransacking the house for liquors and drinking thereof, and for writing and setting vp a libelouse and scandalouse paper in Verses in said house and leauing of it there, were sentenced by the court to find sureties for theire behauior vntil the next General court, to bee holden att Plymouth, the first Tuesday in June next, and longer time, if the court shall see cause, and to pay a fine, each of them, the sume of fifty shillinges."

Josias Hallott acknowlidgeth to owe vnto our soũ Lord, the Kinge, the sume of £20-00-00. Trustrum Hull the sume of £10-00-00. The condition that if the said Josias Hallott bee of good behauior towards our soũ Lord," etc. (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 31-32.)

1663. 1 Apr. Account of wine and liquors and powder and shott that hath bine giuen in to mee that hath bine brought into Barnstable the first of Aprill, 1663. * * * *

Trustram Hull the 4th. of June, 100 Gallons of liquors, and in Nouember six cases of liquors and a barrel of powder & 200 weight of shott for Mr. Thomas Clarke. hee brought about 20 gall ot rum. Pr me Joseph Laythorp.

Plym. Col. Rec. IV. 52, 53.)

In 1664, Tristram Hull acted as agent for the town of Barnstable in the purchace of some Indian lands, and the following curious deed verifies the transaction:—

"These presents witness, That I, Yanno, sachem, have freely and absolutely bargained and sold unto Thomas Hinckley, Nathaniel Bacon and Tristram Hull, in behalf and for the use of the town of Barnstable, all that tract of land lying and being at the South Sea, in the precinct of Barnstable:—bounded easterly by the bounds of Yarmouth; northerly by the lands bought of Paupmunnuck, excepting the skirts of good land at the head of the Cove, and what he hath already given to Nicholas Davis, a trader from Rhode Island; in consideration of £20 and two small pair of breeches, to me in hand paid by Tristram Hull, wherewith he, the said Yanno, rests himself fully satisfied and paid for those lands, with warranties against any Indians whatever laying any lawful claims thereunto. This 19th. July, 1664.

The mark + of YANNO.

Witness, Sam'l Wally Jr.
The mark + of Indian WILL."

"It was agreed by the town that Nicholas Davis shall quietly enjoy the lands which Yanno has given him on or about Sam's Neck." (*Freeman, 2-268-9.*)

1665. 7 June. Trustram Hull was on the Grand Enquest.

(*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 91.)

Account of liquors brought into the town of Eastham, as followeth:

28th. of 9 month, 1664. * * * * *

Trustran Hull of Barnstable brought a barrel of rum to the towne of Eastham and sold it, but gave noe account of it to either of vs, and wee thought to giue the court notice of it.

Willam Walker,
John Done. (*Plym. Col. Res. IV.* 100.)

1665. 2 Dec. Att this court Nathaniel Bacon, John Chipman, John Tomson and Trustram Hull were approued by the court to bee selectmen for the towne of Barnstable. (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 112.)

1666. 5 June. The same men were "approued as Celect Men for Barnstable. (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 124.)

1666. 5 June. Att this court Elizabeth, the wife of John Williams, appeered with complaint against her husband, the sand John Williams, for his great abusiue and vnaturall carryages towards her, both in word and deed, in defaming her and rendering her to bee a whore and by p^r^sisting in his refusing to p^r^forme marriage duty vnto her according to what both the law of God and man requireth, which more at large appeereth by the writing vnder her hand."

A jury was empaneled to try the case, on which was Trustram Hull. "These found the abouesaid complaint to bee true or just. Whereupon the court gave her liberty to live apart from her husband, vntil the court shall otherwise order," he to "apparell her suitably and furnish her with bed and beding and such like nesesaryes, and to alow her ten pounds yearly to maintain her while shee shal bee thuse absent from him; and for the p^r^formance heerof doe require that hee put in cecurtie."

"2condly. For that hee hath greatly defamed and otherwise abused his said wife in the p^r^mises, wee adjudge him to stand in the street or market place by the post, with an inscription ouer him that may declare to the world his vnworthy carriages towards his wife." (Marginal note.) "Att the earnest request of his wife this p^r^te of the centence was remited and not executed."

3rd * * * wee doe amerce him to pay a fine of twenty pound to the vse of the colonie." (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 125-6.)

This same matter had first come up on the wife's complaint, in June, 1665, and again in October of the same year. They seem never to have become reconciled, as in July, 1668, he engaged to pay towards his wife's maintainance "a barrel of beife, a barrel of porke, * * a good cow not to exceed eight yeare old," etc. "at the now dwelling house of John Williams, in Scituate, the second Tuesday in May next. (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 191.)

1665. Oct. 3 John Williams Junr is alowed and appointed by the court to bee guardian unto John Barker, and is required by the court to bringe him vp in the way of education and learning soe as may bee to his advantage and healp when hee comes to bee of age, by putting him forth to a trad," etc.* (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 108.)

1666. 31 Oct. Trustram Hull attested an apology of William Nicarson for defaming Thomas Hinckley. (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 135.)

1666-7. 5 Mar. "Letters of adminnestration was graunted by the court vnto Joseph Holley and Marke Redley, to adminester on the estate of Mr. Trustram Hull of Barnstable, deceased." (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 141.)

1667-8. 5 Mar. Nathaniel Bacon and Joseph Laythorpe appointed guardians of Joseph son of Mr. Trustram Hull, deceased. (*Plym. Col. Rec. IV.* 175.)

1670. Mar. 8. Att this court Hannah Hull made choice of Joseph Holley and Nathaniel Fitsrandall to bee her guardians, which was approued by the court. (*Plym. Col. Rec. V. p.* 52.)

Tristram Hull m. ..... Blanch .....

CHILDREN, b. in Barnstable.

10. MARY[8], b. .... Sept. 1645.
11. SARAH[8], b. .... March, ...
12. JOSEPH[8], b. .... June, 1652.
13. JOHN[8], b. .... March, 1654.
14.+HANNAH[8], b. .... Feby. 1656.

*See *ante* pp. 8. 9. and 10 for suit of John Barker vs. John Williams.

In his will, dated 20 Dec. 1666, he names his five children, Joseph, John, Mary, Sarah and Hannah, and his wife, Blanch.** Blanch Hull m. as her second husband, Capt, William Hedge of Yarmouth, whom she outlived.

JOSEPH[3] HULL, s. of Tristram, was a cooper by trade, and inherited the paternal estate. He m. .... Oct. 1676, Experience Harper, and had a son Tristram, b. 8 Oct. 1677. He sold his estate, 7 Feby, 1678, to Capt, John Lothrop, for £85, his mother Blanch, and his wife, Experience, joining in the deed. He removed to Falmouth and purchased of Jacob Perkins an estate, for £105.

CAPT. JOHN[3] HULL, s. of Tristram, removed to Rhode Island, where he has descendants. He sailed a ship between Newport and London.

HANNAH[3] HULL, dtr. of Tristram,[2] m. 15 Sept., 1674, Joseph Blish, of West Barnstable. (See *ante, p.* 15 *at seq.*)

(***N. E. Gen Regr. VI.* 188.)

LOTHROPP.

The parish of Lowthorpe is located in the wapentake of Dickering in the East Riding of Yorkshire, England. Whether the parish is named from the Lowthorp, Lothrop or Lathrop family or the family name taken from the parish, is an open question. Walter de Lowthorpe was sheriff of Yorkshire in 1216. Numerous other records of the name are given in the Lothrop Genealogy, edited by the Rev. E. B. Huntington and published in 1889. The earliest authentic and connected record of the family begins with—

1. JOHN LOWTHROPPE.

Early in the 16th. century he was living in Cherry Burton, sometimes called "Sheriburton," a parish about four miles from Lowthorpe. Though belonging to a junior branch of the family,

he was a gentleman of extensive landed interests. In the 37th. year of Henry the VIII, (1545) he apears in the Yorkshire subsidy rolls, assessed for twice as much as any other man in the parish. He had a son.—

2. ROBERT LOWTHROPPE,

who succeeded to the estates of his father and made considerable additions thereto in his lifetime. He m. Ellen ....., who survived him some 14 years.

CHILDREN.

3.+THOMAS.
4. JOHN.
5. LAWRENCE.
6. MARGARET.

Robert Lowthroppe d. in 1558 and his will, dated 16 July, 1558, was probated 20 Oct. 1558, at York.

WILL OF ROBERT LOWTHROPPE.

1. To ye blessed sacrament of ye altar of forgotton tythes, v. s.
2. To the poor people at my burial, 4 marks, by my executors.
3. To ye Church of Sheriburton, 6s. 8d.
4. To son John all lands and tenements in So. Dalton and all freehold lands & titles; the lands in Burton purchased of Richard Fenle and Marmaduke Whytinge; in default of issue from him, the reversion of the foregoing to be unto my son Lawrence and his heirs.
5. To son Thomas all lands and their appurtenances in Walkinton.
6. To my daughter Margaret the messuage in Beverlaie, in the tenore of Christopher More; and if she fail of issue, this also to go to Lawrence.
7. To wife Ellen, during widowhood, and then to son Thomas, all leases and terms of years of my two fermolds in Burton and Rainthorpe; if she shall marry or die, the leases to remain in Thomas and his executors and heirs. The said Ellen and Thomas are to succor with meat, drink and House room in said fermold in Burton, all the rest of the children of their several marriages.
8. To daughter Margaret fourty marks.
9. To son John a gray stoned horse.
10. To son Thomas an ambling gelding, dapple gray.
11. To son Lawrence a bright bay gelding.
12. To my daughter Margaret a branded flect cow, in consideration of one I sold which my father gave to her; also a lead, a table, 2 chairs, 2 lavers, 2 trestles, a forme with great ..... with eaves, 2 basings, 2 candlesticks, 12 pieces of pewther, and ye best (beast) yt came from Beverlaie.
13. To everie of my godchildren, 4d.
14. To everie of my sisters children, 8d.

15. To my three sisters, everie of them, 8d.
16. To John Swinburn, John Pickering, William Fisher, Robert Barnes, Gawin & Hewe Mason, my servants, everie of them, halfe a quarter of barlye.
17. To Catherine Shadlock, maid servant, half a quarter of barlye and a bushel of wheat.
18. To Elizabeth Thornton & Isabell Coke, maid servants, either of them, a mett of barley.
19. To ye township of So. Burton, 6s, 8d.
20. To the children of William Burne, everie of them, 8d.
21. To William and John, sons of Henry Sowersby, 7d. each.
22. To Alison Simson and Henry Bynks, 4d.
23. To Robert Binks, 4d.
24. To everie of my three sons, a bound wain and gear.
25. To Richard Eshton a quarter of barley.
26. To Robert Hoyeson, Robert Wilson, William Burne, Robert Patenson & John Patenson, 20 d.
27. To Thomas Jervis, 6s. 8d.
28. To Mr. John Eglesfield, Esq., supervisor of this will, 20s.
29. To son Thomas two draughts nante—a hawked and a browne, and fourtie weathers, such as he will choose.
30. To son John a cow, such as daughter Margaret will appoint, and a couple stotes goying at Harswell, such as he choose.
31. To son Lawrence two stotes.
32. To daughter Margaret two whies goying at Harswell.
33. To ye Priests, 20s.
34. To ye clerk, 12d.
35. To William Burne my buckskin doublet.
36. To Robert Johnson my vilett jacket.
37. To Simon Naves, my second best vilett jacket.
38. To son Thomas a jack, a bill, a steel cap, and a pair of splents.
39. To wife Ellen, son John, son Thomas, son Lawrence, and daughter Margaret, the rest of the estate, and all are appointed executors.

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3. THOMAS LOTHROPPE.

b. in Cherry Burton, m. (1) Elizabeth Clarke, a widow, by whom he had the following children:—

CHILDREN. .....

7 ROBERT,
8. CATHERINE,
9. AWDREY,
10. ELIZABETH,
11. ANNE, bap. 13 Feby. 1568-9. d. youny.
12. ISABELL, bap. 3 July, 1570.
13. MARTIN, bap. 21 Oct. 1572. bur. 12 Nov. 1572.
14. ANDREW, bap. 23 Apr. 1574.

His wife Elizabeth d. 29 July, 1754, and is buried in Etton. He m. (2) Mary ....., by whom he had the following children:—

15. ANNE, bap. 29 July, 1576.
16. MARY.
17. THOMAS, bap. 14 Oct. 1582. He was educated in Queen's College, Cambridge, and took the bachelors degree in 1604. He was at the time of his death the Rector of Dengie, in Essex.
18. +JOHN, bap. in Etton, 20 Dec. 1584.
19. WILLIAM, bap. 24 May, 1587.

Mary, the second wife, d. 6 Jany. 1588, and he m. (3) Jane ....., by whom he had the following children:—

20. MARGARET, bap. 13 Feby. 1590-1.
21. ISABELL, bap. 29 Sept. 1592.
22. LUCY, bap. 4 Jany. 1593-4.
23. RICHARD, bap. 12 Oct. 1595.
24. MARK, bap. 27 Sept. 1597.
25. LAWRENCE, bap. 29 Aug. 1599.
26. JANE, bap. 14 Mar. 1600-1.
27. JOSEPH, bap. 31 Dec. 1602.
28. BARTHOLOMEW, bap. 1 Mar. 1604-5.

Thomas Lothroppe removed to Etton, Harthill, wapentake, East Riding, Yorkshire, about 1576, and d. there in 1606. His will is dated 5 Oct. 1606, and was proven the following January. It will be observed that the educated sons are not mentioned in the will, viz: Thomas and John.

WILL OF THOMAS LOTHROPPE.

1. To Jaine, my wife, the lease for twelve years for the education of my younge children, whom I give unto her with these legacies.

To Richard, my sonne,* if he die then to my son Mark, and if he be not of age, XXI, my son to be tutor unto him.

3. To Jane my weiff and Lawrence my sonne the lease of Westwood, the leas in the territories of Scarborough.

4. To Robart, three kye gatts in Etton.

5. To Markes, Lawrence, Joseph and Bartholomew—moiety of the lease in Etton pke or Calfe pke.

6. To Bartholomew pte freehold land called temple wood.

7. To Robart, best horse.

8. To Isabell Burne, my daughter, one cowe.

9. To Katherine Aket, my daughter, one cowe.

10. To William Wykam, Thomas Wykam and Jane Wykam, children of my daughter Audrie Wykam, one cowe among them.

11. To Robert my best bound wayne.

12. To Robert all of my freehold lands in So. Dalton and Walkington.

13. To Jane, Anne, Isabell and Elizabeth Akeit, daughters of William Akeit my son in lawe, each of them one cowe.

14. To the Poore of Etton, vjs, viijd.

15. The rest to Jane, my weiff, Richard, Lawrence, Marks, Joseph, Bartholomew, my sons, and Margaret, Luce and Jane Lowthorp, my daughters, whom I make executors.

Proved 15 Jany. 1606-7.

*Evidently there is an omission here, either in the will or the copy of the record.

18. REV. JOHN LOTHROPP.

JOHN LOTHROPP, the 12th. child of Thomas Lothropp and Mary, his wife, was baptized at Etton, Yorkshire, England, 20 Dec. 1584. He married in England, and had the following

CHILDREN.

27.+JANE, bap. 29 Sept. 1614, in Egerton, Kent, England.
28. ANN, bap. 12 May, 1616, d. 1619.
29. JOHN, bap. 22 Feby. 1617-18.
30. BARBARA, bap. 31 Oct. 1619.
31. THOMAS, b. ....., 1621.
32. SAMUEL, b. ....., d. 19 Feby. 1701.
33. JOSEPH, b. ..... 1624. d. ..... 1702.
34. BENJAMMIN, b. .....

His first wife sickened and died while he was imprisoned in London. It is the best opinion of genealogists, that he did not remarry before leaving England, but must have married shortly after coming to America. His children b. in Scituate, Mass., were:—

35. BARNABAS, bap. 6 June, 1636.
36. A daughter, b. 30 July, 1638, and d. same day.
Born in Barnstable, Mass.
37. ABIGAIL, bap. 2 Nov. 1639. m. *James Clark*, 7 Oct. 1657.
38. BATHSHUA, bap. 27 Feby. 1641. m. *Alex. Marsh*, and d. 8 Jany. 1723. In her husband's will she is called "Bathsheba."
39. JOHN, b. 9 Feby. 1644.
40. A son, b. 25 Jany. 1649. "A man child of John Lothropp dying immediately after it was borne; buryed Jann. 25, 1649."

It was supposed that Rev. John Lothropp was educated at Oxford, and it was so stated by Deane, in his history of Scituate and the Rev. John Lothrop, of Boston, in his memoir, and by Mr. Savage, but later investigations indicate that both he and his brother Thomas were educated at Queen's College, in Cambridge, where he matriculated in 1601, received the degree of B A., in 1605, and that of M. A., in 1609. Authentic records locate him at Egerton, Kent, 48 miles south-east of London, as curate of the parish. To this living he was admitted about 1611, by the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul. He was there in the fall of 1614, and the last report of his family there is in the fall of 1619. It was probably his first and last parish, as minister of the Church of England. The church in which he officiated was an ancient structure, standing on the summit of a rounded hill. It was dedicated to St. James, and consisted of two aisles and a

chancel. He remained here as long as his conscience and judgment could approve the ritual and government of the church. In 1623 he bid adieu to the church of his youth and espoused the cause of the Independents, with no misgivings. He left Egerton and the next year was called to take the place of the Rev. Henry Jacobs, pastor of the first Independent or Congregationalist Society, in London. This church was situated on Union street, in Southwark, later known as Deadman's place, by reason of the cemetery attached. At this time they held no public worship, their meetings being declared illegal and persecutions having begun. They gathered in secret. For some eight years Mr. Lothropp held this congregation together, under extreme vicissitudes. They were at last hunted down by Tomlinson, the wily pursuivant of the Bishop, and on April 22nd. 1632, while holding a meeting in the rooms of Humphrey Barnet, a brewer's clerk in Black Friars, forty-two of them were arrested and thrown into prison, Mr. Lothropp being among them. They were imprisoned until the spring of 1634, when most of them, excepting Mr. Lathropp, were released on bail. Mr. Lathropp obtained permission to visit his wife and pray with her during her dying hours, but was remanded to prison.

The following records of the court proceedings are found in the New Record office in Fetter Lane, London:—

"1634. June 12. John Lathrop of Lambeth Marsh: Bond to be served and he attached if he appear not on the next court day."

June 19. Bond ordered to be served and to be attached for non-appearance."

Oct. 9. John Lathrop and Samuel Eaton to be attached for non-appearance."

1634-5. Feby. 19. John Lathrop and Samuel Eaton for contempt in not appearing to answer concerning their keeping conventicles; their bonds ordered to be certified and they attached and committed."

After the death of Mr. Lothropp's wife, his children repaired to the Bishop at Lambeth, and sought his release. This was granted upon condition of his leaving the country, and the following entry was made in the court proceedings:

1634. Apr. 24. John Lathrop enlarged on bond to appear in Trinity term and not to be present at any private conventicles."

This order opened the door for his escape to America. Gov. Winthrop's journal, (p. 71) under date of 18 Sept. 1634, says, "The Griffin and another ship now arriving with two hundred passengers. Mr. Lathrop and Mr. Sims, two Godly ministers coming in the same ship." When he reached Boston with a portion of his London flock, he found that preparations had been made to welcome them to the new home in Scituate. At least nine pioneers had built houses there, and thither he and his people repaired, Sept. 27th. 1634. James Cudworth, one of his parishoners, in a letter to Rev. Dr. John Stoughton concerning the settlements near Boston, says,—"Ours, Cittawate, to whom the Lord has bine very gracious & his pvidence Admorably sene, beyinge to bringe vs oure Pastor, whome wee so longe expected, Mr. Lathorpe, whom the Lord has brought to vs in safety and whome wee find to bee a holy, Reverat & heavenly-minded man." He was soon ordained, as shown by his own records:— "Jany. 19. 1634-5. att my house uppon wch day I was chosen Pastour and invested into office." The question of baptism by immersion and by sprinkling had arisen early in the independent churches, but Mr. Lothropp had wisely refrained from taking any stand upon the question while in England, but after he was established at Barnstable, he wrote a tract on the subject, which was published in London.

That he was a widower at the time he became pastor at Scituate is probable, though he must have married soon after, from the record of his church,---"My wife and Brother Foxwell's wife joined having their dismission from elsewhere, 14 June 1635." Nothing further is known of his wife, excepting that her name was Anna, and that she was a widow, with children. Otis says she was the widow Ann Hammond, which may be correct, but the date of the marriage given by him, 17 Feby. 1636-7, is contradicted by the church record kept by Mr. Lothrop himself. Just how many of Mr. Lothropp's children came over with him is unknown. Mr. Otis infers, from the fact that they were well educated that some of them remained in England or returned there to study. When Mr. Lothropp came to Scituate, he found, in addition to those who had come over with him, nine families in Scituate, that he had known in England. In 1635

the settlement was largely increased, mainly by emigration from Kent, and in two years after he came thirty-one new houses were built. The meeting house was finished and dedicated November 10 and 11, 1636, prior to which worship had been conducted mainly in the house of James Cudworth. By Nov. 11th, 1635, sixty-two names had been entered on the church register. These from his own family joined later: "Isaac Robinson and my sonn Fuller joyned having their letters of dismission from Plimouth unto us Novemb. 7. 1636." "My son Thomas Lothropp joyned May 4, 1637." "My brother Linnell & wife having letter of dismission from the church in London joyned to us Septemb. 16. 1638." Though welcomed to Scituate, Mr. Lothropp's labors there were not without some troubles. The question of baptism caused some disturbance. Personally he was liberal and believed that the rite was symbolical, and was willing that each individual should decide for himself. He professed no creed and proclaimed the great truth, that man is not responsible to his fellow man in matters of faith and conscience. Differences of opinion he tolerated and kindly reproved the wayward.

In September, 1639, a grant was obtained for a settlement at Mattakeese, between Yarmouth and Sandwich, and in October the settlement was begun, chiefly by people from Scituate. Only two persons, Mr. Joseph Hull and Thomas Dimoc, are mentioned in the grant, but many persons of note are named as "associates", among them the Rev. John Lothropp. Some twenty families went with him from Scituate. Different reasons have been assigned for this removal. Mr. Deane says that the mode of baptism was the chief cause of dissension in Mr. Lothropp's church. Mr. Otis differs with him, mainly on the ground of Mr. Lothropp's known liberality on this question, and assigns as the main reason the fact that their assignments of land at Scituate, by reason of the number of inhabitants, had become too small for their comfortable maintainance. The location at Mattakeese, which later was named Barnstable, offered good pastures and facilities for raising cattle and horses, which was one of their chief sources of income. The better reasoning seems to be with Mr. Otis.

On the 29th of June, 1639, O. S., (9 July, new) a pioneer company left Scituate for Mattakeese or Mattakeset. Their object was to secure a winter's supply of provender for their cattle and to build houses for themselves and for the larger company,

who remained in Scituate until their annual crops had been secured. Mattakeset was incorporated as a town 14 June, 1639, new style, and called Barnstable. It was probably named for Barnstaple, in Devonshire, England, whence many of them took their departure for America. No church had been organized before the coming of the Rev. John Lothropp, but meetings were held, the Rev. Joseph Hull, the leading man of the plantation, assisted by Rev. John Mayo, officiating. The first meeting house was built in 1646, prior to which date meetings were held either in the open air or at private houses. On Dec. 11th, 1639, O. S., the first Thanksgiving was observed at Barnstable in the house of Joseph Hull, which has already been noted in the account of Mr. Hull. (*Ante p.* 308.)

The division of the common lands mainly engrossed the attention of the settlers in the winter of 1639-40. A day of fasting was set apart April 25th, to invoke the Divine blessing on their efforts to divide their lands quietly and justly. Mr. Lothropp and other leading men were prudent, as well as good business men, and on 26 Mar. 1640, O. S., (Apr. 5, N. S.) the following rule was adopted "by unanimous consent", viz: "One-third part to every house-lot equally; one-third to the names that are unmovable; and the other third according to men's estates". The exact meaning of the rule is not apparent now, but was doubtless well understood at the time. The division was not made until June, 1641. Mr. Lothropp's first house was located on the lot occupied of late years by the hotel known as Eldridge's. Later a new and more commodious house was built. He mentions his new house in his will, which is the house now known as the Sturgis Library building, and was doubtless built in 1644.

Mr. Lothropp died in Barnstable, 8 Nov. 1653, the last entry in his records being 15 June, 1653. He left a will, which was not signed, but it was admitted to probate without objection, and letters issued to "Mrs Laythorpe, and Mr Thomas Prence was appointed by the court to take the oath unto the estate at home". The will provided as follows: To my wife my now dwelling house; to my eldest son Thomas, the house which I first lived in in Barnstable; to my son John, in England, and Benjamin here, each a cow and £5; daughters Jane and Barbara have had their portions already; the rest of the children, *both mine and my wife's* each a cow, and to each child one book, to be chosen according to their ages; the rest of my library to be sold to any honest man

who can tell how to use it, and the proceeds divided". This part of the library was estimated in the inventory to be worth £5.

During the fourteen years that Mr. Lothropp was pastor of the church at Barnstable, no civil magistrate was called upon to suppress any crime, which speaks volumes for his beneficent influence over the community. By his liberality and broad-mindedness, he was enabled to draw the line between gloomy austerity and unbridled license, and while insisting on the faithful performance of all religious duties, he permitted the young to make merry and enjoy themselves in rational amusements. It is not the purpose of the writer to enter into a full history of the church of Mr. Lothropp. Those interested are referred to the authorities cited at the end of this article, especially to Otis' Barnstable Families, where a full discussion of the doctrines taught and the doings of the church, with much other interesting historical matter, will be found. All agree that Mr. Lothropp was one of the best and most learned men that came to the colonies, and one may be pardoned for a little pride in tracing their ancestry to him.

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27. JANE (LOTHROPP) FULLER.

JANE, the eldest daughter of Rev. John Lothropp was b. in Egerton, England, and baptized in her father's church, in Egerton, Kent, 29 September, 1614. She came to America with her father in 1634, and was m. in Scituate, 8 Apr. 1635, "ye 4th day of ye weeke", by Capt. Miles Standish of Plymouth, at the house of Mr. James Cudworth, to Samuel Fuller, s. of Edward and Ann Fuller of the Mayflower.

CHILDREN, born in Scituate.

41. HANNAH FULLER, b. ..... m. 1 Jany. 1658, *Nicholas Bonham.*

42.+SAMUEL FULLER, bap. 11 Feby. 1637-8 by Rev. John Lothropp who records him as "sonn of my sonn Samuel Fuller." He m. *Anne* dtr. of *Matthew Fuller,* and his cousin.

(For a continuation of this family, see Fuller, p. 305 ante.)

References—*Otis' Barnstable Families; Lothropp Genealogy; Freeman's Hist. of Cape Cod; Deane's Hist. of Scituate, Mass.; Neal's Hist. of the Puritans; Morton's New England Memorial; Winthrop Papers; N. E. Gen. Regr. Vol. 9.*

JONES.

LEWIS JONES of Roxbury, Mass., 1640, afterwards in Watertown; m. Ann Stone; d. April 11, 1684. Inventory dated Apr. 20, 1684, £62, 25s. Will dated January 7, 1678-9; codicil April 19, 1682; probated June 14, 1684, mentions wife Anna, sons Shubael and Josiah, daughter Lydia Whitney, son Josiah executor, friend and brother John Stone, overseer. Witnesses, Simon and John Stone. His daughter Lydia m. October 30, 1656, Jonathan Whitney. December 29, 1684, Josiah Jones, executor of his father's will, John Stone, overseer of the same, Simon Stone and John Stone, guardians of Shubael Jones, all of Watertown, sell ten acres to John Coolidge. His wife Ann died May 1st, 1680, aged 78 years.

JOSIAH[2] JONES, son of Lewis and Ann, born 1643, died October 9th, 1714. Admitted freeman April 18th, 1690 was a captain, one of the original members and one of the first deacons of the Weston Church, to which office he was elected the 4th of January, 1709-10. About 1690, the three portions of Watertown, viz: Watertown, Waltham and Weston, were designated as the precincts of Captain Bond's Company, Captain Garfield's Company and of Lieutenant Jones' Company. He was selectman of Watertown 1685-86-87-90, 1702, 1709; after 1712, of Weston and the 20th of February, 1665-6, he buys a farm of one hundred and twenty-four acres of John Stone and wife Sarah of Watertown; April the 21st, 1684, sells for 60 pounds his share of the mills on Stony Brook to John Bright together with thirty acres of land, which he bought February 19th, 1678-9, from Nathaniel Treadway and also land bought from John Chadwick with the house thereon. He served in King Philip's War, 1676. Married October 2nd, 1667, Lydia Treadway. She died September 18, 1743, aged 84 years.

ISAAC[3] JONES, son of Josiah and Lydia, was baptized May 25th, 1690. He married at Colchester, Conn., Hannah Welles, July 11th, 1717. He held town and church offices for many years. Fifteen of his children were born in this town, among the *Nathan*[4], born December 30th, 1731. From best authority obtainable he moved to East Haddam, where two more of his children were born. October 3rd, 1746, he buys a farm with a Mansion House, etc., in Bolton, Conn., of Simon Kingsbury. His name is the first on the Manual of the list of thirty-five who

were recommended from the Church in Bolton to the one organized October 24th, 1762, in the north part of the town. He died February 15th, 1782. His wife Hannah died December 7th, 1758.

NATHAN[4] JONES, above mentioned, married Elizabeth Bidwell, June 19th, 1760. He went out at the Lexington alarm, 1775, as a sergeant in Lieutenant Ezekiel Olcott's Company. He re-enlisted April 25th, 1777, for three years. Discharged January 25th, 1780, in the Second Regiment of Connecticut Line. He and wife Elizabeth united with the Church in North Bolton, before February 3rd, 1765. He died in 1822. She died several years before. Vernon was made a town in 1808, by a division of the town of Bolton.

NATHAN[5] JONES, Jr., son of Nathan[4] and Hannah, was born February, 1764. He served in a regiment of levies raised for the defense of New York State and maintained during the years 1779 and 1782, under command of Colonel John Field, Captain David Hecock's Company. July 17, 1786, the county surveyor of Rutland County, Vermont, surveys for Nathan Jones, Jr., sixty acres of land in the town of Saltash, afterwards named Plymouth. In January, 1790, he married Priscilla Brown of Plymouth, daughter of Adam and Priscilla (Putnam) Brown. She is a descendant of John and Priscilla Putnam who came from Buckingham, England, and settled in Salem, Mass., 1634. June 4th, 1799, Governor Isaac Tichenor of Vermont appoints Nathan Jones, Jr., Captain of a Company of Militia, which commission he resigned with honor May 12th, 1802. In 1805, he removes his family to Jay, Essex county, New York. Deacon Tarrent Putnam, the grandfather of Priscilla (Brown) Jones, lived in Sutton, Mass., and it is said that when General Israel Putnam was on his way to Bunker Hill, he stopped and dined with him and mounted his horse from the bank at the west end of the house, where the cousins embraced and kissed each other and wept. Nathan Jones, Jr., served in Captain Shubill Sumner's Company of Voulnteers, Sanford's unregimented battalion, New York Militia. Died January 12th, 1847. His wife Priscilla died February 16th, 1820.

PIERPONT EDWARDS[6] JONES, son of Nathan[5], Jr. and Priscilla, was born June 27th, 1819. Married August 18th, 1841, Beulah, daughter of Col. Daniel Blish. Pierpont Edwards Jones died April 8th, 1892. His wife died February 2nd, 1887. For their descendants see *ante*, pp. 185-6, 246-251.

References—*Bond's Hist. of Watertown, Drake's Hist.*

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Contributed by Nathan Henry Jones, Granville, N. Y.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

P. 32.—9th line from bottom: for "Mary" read Martha.

P. 56.—No. 133. Jeremiah Blish d. about 1798, and was a bachelor.

P. 71.—Add to the family of Lieut. Joseph Blish, the following:

232. SARAH, bap. 28 June, 1772. d. 1 Mar. 1818, unmarried.

P. 85.—Add index figure ^{6} to all of the children of Stacy Blish.

P. 86.—Add index figure ^{6} to all of the children of Silas Blish.

P. 91.—No. 289. EZRA^{6}, d. 26 Apr. 1816. Add to the children of Ezra^{5} Blish—

289½. ABRAHAM, b. 30 Dec. 1796.
290. ASA, was drowned 26 Sept. 1817.

P. 92.—The record kept by Robert Stiles^{6} Blish, says that Ezra^{5} (141) d. in Sept. 1841. Another record says 30 Oct. 1842. A deed by Azubah Blish, Executor of the will of Ezra Blish, conveying lands of Ezra Blish, is dated Sept. Nov. 1843, tends to confirm the later date.

P. 92.—In record of Silas^{5} Blish, first line, for "Sylvester" read Sylvanus.

P. 102.—Next to bottom line, for "Mark" read Mack.

P. 104.—First line for "wher" read where. 7th line, for "Wilsox" read Wilcox.

P. 106.—Bottom of page—Prudence Blish d. 20 Oct. 1848.

P. 113.—No. 428. For "105" read 1805.

P. 118.—Top—for "HANNH" read HANNAH.

P. 126.—Nos. 516 and 517. For "22 Mar." read 22 Oct.

P. 128.—No. 527. For "live" read lived.

P. 132.—Top line, for "Yory" read York. Third line Oliver Blush, for "of" read or.

P. 141.—No. 641. For "1821" read 1822. (?)

P. 166.—Bottom line, for "Bryon" read Byron.

P. 167.—No. 488. First line, for "HOLT" read HOIT.

P. 169.—Next to bottom line, for "Gastonbury" read Glastonbury.

P. 169.—There are several children of the marriage of Vespasian Warner and Winifred Moore. Vespasian Warner has just been appointed Commissioner of Pensions by President Roosevelt.

P. 185-6.—For "Pierpont Edward Jones," read Pierpont Edwards Jones. Beulah Blish Jones d. 2 Feby. 1887.

P. 193.—Elijah Hedding Blish had a daughter, Mary, who m. ..... Pound.

P. 202.—Hon. Wait Talcott d. 7 Nov. 1890.

P. 207.—No. 1042. Kittie Louise Blish d. 24 Jany. 1859.

P. 226.—Morris Farrington Blish d. 1 Mar. 1870, at Wilmington, Illinois.

P. 249.—Elijah Brown[8] Jones graduated from Madison University, Hamilton, N. Y. in 1877, and later received the degree of D. D. from Defiance College, Ohio.

Justine Beulah[9] Jones was b. 6 Feby. 1882. Graduated from Pillsbury Academy, Owattonna, Minn. June 1900, and from advanced kindergarten course of Minnesota State Normal School in 1902. Is at present (1905) kindergarten teacher at Marshaltown, Iowa, where her father is pastor.

P. 265.—7th line from bottom, for "Almherst" read Amherst.

P. 276.—For "Marietta Corwin", read Marietta Cowan.

P. 280.—For "William Cullen Wells", read William Cullen Morris.

GLOSSARY OF OBSCURE WORDS.

Alewife.—A small salt water fish; also an officer to look after the fishing and carry out the regulations.

Bill.—A battle axe; a pike or halbert.

Brake.—The meaning of this word must be determined from the context. It may mean a small wood; a plat of bushes; a fern; an closure for cattle; a snaffle for horses; a large barrow; an instrument for dressing hemp; a harrow, or a baker's trough.

Constable.—Formerly an important officer. He was the chief executive of the town, and performed all of the functions of a sheriff, of which there were none in early times.

Coulter.—A plough share.

Cousin.—A blood relative.

Deer-reeve.—An officer who looked after and regulated the killing of deer.

Fermold.—A land tenure.

Fleck bed } A bed of down; later a bed of wool.
Flock bed }

Flegms.—An instrument for bleeding horses.

Forme.—A seat, a bench.

Freeman.—Each colony had its own regulations concerning the admission of "Freemen", and frequent changes were made in the requirements. All were admitted by the general court upon proper recommendation. Usually the names were propounded at one court and laid over till the next for action. In some places a religious test was required. No one not a freeman could hold office. An extended essay would be required to fully explain the subject.

Gatt.—A goat.

Goying— } A right of pasture for a beast.
Goiing— }

Grand Inquest— } Equivalent to the grand jury of modern times.
Grand Enquest— }

Hayward— } Originally a person who guarded the corn and the farm-
Heyward— } yard in the night-time; later a warden of the common fields, and who looked after the cattle.

Hogreeve.—An officer who looked after the pasturing of hogs on the commons and was a sort of pound-master.

Jack.—A lifting apparatus; a coat of mail.

Joint Stool— } A stool framed by a joiner as distinguished from
Joynt Stool— } those rudely formed from a single block of wood.

Kye.—She; a female.

Laver.—A basin or trough.

Lead.—A vat for dying.

Lister.—An assessor who notified the people to present lists of their property, and reviewed them. Heavy penalties were inflicted for false lists or omissions therein.

Mett.—A bushel.

Neat.—Horned oxen; applied to cattle.

Pillion.—A pad behind a saddle, usually for women. Anciently, a priest's head-dress.

Reve— } A bailiff; an officer; our word "sheriff" is a modification
Reeve— } of Shire-reeve; i. e. Reeve of the Country.

Rundlett— } A small cask for wine.
Rundleit— }

Sconce.—A lantern; a kind of a candle-stick with a tin back to hang on the wall.

Sealer of leather.—An officer who examined all tanned leather, and if good, put his seal or stamp upon it; if found poor or improperly tanned, he could seize it and condemn it.

Slice.—A shovel.

Snuffing trough.—Used by furriers in getting snuff into furs to preserve from moths.

Spinster.—An unmarried woman; a woman who spins.

Splent.—Armour; several overlapping plates to protect the inside of the arm.

Stote.—A young ox.

Squab.—A long seat; a sofa.

Tackling.—Working implements; machinery; also a horses harness.

Tenore.—Tenure.

Tester.—The top and head part of a bedstead; drapery for the same.

Tithingman.—In the colonies an officer chosen to enforce observance of the Sabbath and preserve order in the church.

Trammel.—An iron hook by which kettles were hung over the fire in fire-places.

Trencher.—A wooden-plate or platter; originally a square board on which food was cut.

Trestles.—A beam with four divergent legs; a saw-horse.

Wain— } A wagon.
Waine— }

Whie.—A young heifer.

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